

Star Week, the next in the sequence of four, also possesses its own distinctive name, which relates to interesting topics of the day such as fame, games, artistic skills and entertainment. You will tackle this subject matter through the following more specific daily headlines -

Tuesday: **Would you like to be famous?**

Wednesday: **Life is a game**

Thursday: **We are all artists**

Friday: **The future of entertainment**

- You, the student, will experience online resources and mobile apps, such as ‘word hippo’, apps of a type that you will need in order to continue learning autonomously when you return to your home environment.
- The blended learning course, blended in the sense of a carefully compiled mix of components, is completely action oriented. It offers a wide range of everyday topics focussing on communication, listening strategies, cultural and intercultural awareness as well as life skills in general.
- In practice this means you will address art in the widest sense of the word, for example paintings on ‘wisetoast.com’, movie actors such as Will Smith on YouTube explaining their attitudes to life as well as poetry sites providing you with an insight into a greater meaning.

- Your own existing contact with culture will be expanded by these and television company websites and informational presentations such as TED talks. All these elements of the blended learning approach offer authentic materials.
- Within this week, as with all four weeks of the syllabus, you will work alongside fellow students from across Europe and the wider world. This international and multicultural cooperation with students from Spain, Germany, Thailand, Latvia, France, India and China, to name but a few, will not only enhance your debating skills, but increase your awareness and understanding of the rich diversity of cultures that make up our world.
- Through daily contact and the range of ideas contained within the variety of materials you will master the art of intercultural communication, a very worthwhile skill in today's global world.

