

# Week beginning

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# Year 4 Newsletter



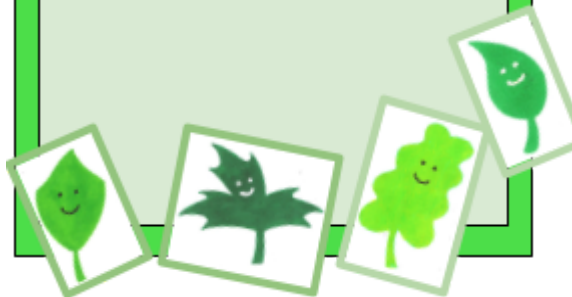
## STAR moments

Welcome back to a new term. The children appeared excited to be back and are ready to engage in some new learning.

We have begun a new topic called Earth Our Home and already this has created some excitement within the classes. We have been talking about adopting an animal and the children have been asked to think of an animal from the rainforest they would like each class to adopt. Ask your child what they think.



Happy Leaves:  
4H/S Kairen  
4R Rohan  
4L Edona



## This weeks learning..

In English we will evaluate advertisements for their impact, appeal and honesty, focusing in particular on how information about products is presented: exaggerated claims, tactics for grabbing attention, linguistic devices such as puns, jingles, alliteration, invented words. This will lead us into creating a persuasive leaflet over the coming weeks about saving the rainforests. In our shared Reading sessions we are reading a lovely book called The Great Kapok Tree. We are using this book to read together and discover the wonders of the rainforest. The children also need their reading books and reading records every day for these lessons so please remind your child to bring theirs into school.

In Maths this week the children are learning how multiply three numbers.

As scientists the children will be investigating plants and animals and their different habitats. This week we will look at explaining the different feeding roles of animals in a habitat.

In R.E. we are learning about the Hindu faith and in particular what Hindus believe about Gods.

In Geography we will be taking a closer look at the Amazon rainforest. We will use Digimaps to discover where it is in the world and looking at its physical features.

We will begin our weekly Spanish lessons with Mr Ramonet, he is looking forward to working with the children year 4 as he has heard about the children's participation, knowledge and enthusiasm for this language.

In PE the children will begin working on their gymnastic and fitness skills.

R.S.H.E. this term is all about coping skills and this week we will look at how we feel when we are coping well. Finally in music the children will be learning about Gamelan music from Indonesia and looking at notation and rhythm. As you can see we have a very busy week ahead!

# Don't forget!

**Please ensure your child is at the school gate by 7:45am!**  
**At Star, we now have Brighter Starts breakfast and singing in class from 7:50 - 8:00am every morning to support your child with starting the day with as much energy as possible.**

## Over to you...Home learning

Don't forget to log on to Mathletics and complete the work assigned to you each day!  
Continue to improve your reading skills by logging onto Bug Club each day. Remember to share a chapter from your favourite book with someone at home too.  
Strive to achieve your bronze, silver or gold awards on Times Tables Rockstars too.



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