

# Year 4 Newsletter

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October

Walmer: Mrs Kitchen, Mrs Hartley & Miss Pritchard  
Bodiam: Mr Goodwin and Miss Feast

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have been continuing to enjoy the book 'Pebble in my pocket'. We have been following the journey of the pebble as it passes the Earth's mantle and crust, through the time of the dinosaurs, to when it is used by prehistoric humans.

#### Assessments:

Next week, we shall be starting to complete our assessments. These will include two maths tests, a SPaG test and a reading test. This is solely so we can identify how best to support your children for the rest of the year.

We would advise that, over the weekend, the children practice their skills relating to the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). It would also be beneficial if they continue to practice their times tables.

#### Homelearning

We have loved seeing your home-learning challenges. Please continue to email them to [lks2leader@brunswick-house.kent.sch.uk](mailto:lks2leader@brunswick-house.kent.sch.uk)

Kind regards,  
The Year 4 Team

#### This Week:

**English:** Drama and writing inspired by Pebble in My Pocket

**Maths:** Addition and subtraction of 4 digit numbers

**SPAG:** Present perfect tense.

**Geography:** Grid References

**Art:** Creating artwork for the Sensory Garden

**PE:** Netball and Multi-skills

**Spanish:** In the classroom

**PSHE:** Think positive!

#### Next week:

**English:** Writing stories in role

**Maths:** Addition and subtraction of 4 digit numbers

**SPAG:** Paragraphs.

**Geography:** Creating our own maps of the local area.

**Art:** Creating artwork for the Sensory Garden

**PE:** Netball and Multi-skills

**Spanish:** At School

**PSHE:** Think positive!

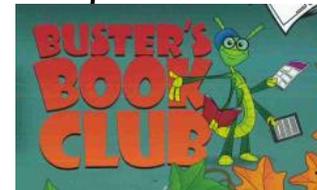
## Hall of fame

### Stars of the week!

Walmer: Dexter  
Bodiam: Lilianna

### Busters Book Club Star Reader

Walmer - Isla  
Bodiam - Syeda



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## Spelling

Week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> October

### This week's rule:

#### Year 3 / 4 Spelling words

Please learn the 10 words below, we will assess these in class next week

The children can use the ideas in the boxes below the spellings to help them learn their words each week. It hopefully makes it more fun than just writing a list over and over again!

Thanks, Mrs Kitchen and Mr Goodwin.

### Spellings from Year 3 and 4 list

1	library
2	material
3	medicine
4	mention
5	minute
6	naughty
7	notice
8	occasion
9	occasionally
10	often

Be careful with some of these tricky words, they are tricky to sound out.

### Ideas to help practise your spellings

<p><b>Look, Cover, Write and Check</b> Practise this week's spellings by looking at the word, covering it up, writing it down and checking it's correct.</p>	<p><b>Spelling Scribble</b> Use this week's spellings to fill in a scribble outline. You can use colours if you want to.</p>	<p><b>ABC</b> Order this week's spellings in alphabetical order.</p>	<p><b>Rainbow Write</b> Write this week's spellings in a variety of colours.</p>
<p><b>On the Other Hand</b> Try to write all your spellings with the opposite hand you write with.</p>	<p><b>Silly Sentences</b> Write a silly sentence for each of your spellings. e.g. Can Colin catch a cauliflower while carrying a carrot?</p>	<p><b>The Power of 3</b> Write each spelling in pencil, then pen and finally using a marker.</p>	<p><b>Fancy Fonts</b> Write your spellings in different ways using different styles of letters. catch <b>CATCH</b> catch</p>
<p><b>Vowel Void</b> Write your spellings and put a line where the vowels should be. Go back and fill them in. m_d_c_n_ medicine</p>	<p><b>Pyramid words:</b> e.g. c ca cat catc catch</p>	<p><b>Dictionary Definitions</b> Use the dictionary to find your spelling and write the definition down next to the spelling.</p>	<p><b>Mnemonics</b> Try and write a mnemonic to help you remember your spellings. e.g. big elephants actually understand small elephants = because</p>