



Dear Parents/Carers

This week I have had the pleasure of observing lessons throughout the school and it's been lovely to see that the engaging teaching which we had last week during our Science focus, is not a one-off but is evident in lessons across the subject range and year groups. As you are aware curiosity is at the heart of what we are about at Monken Hadley and this week the children in the Juniors have learnt new skills about what to do in a medical emergency; the children in Beech class have had an informative Roman workshop and this evening some of the children will be performing at Monken Hadley's Got Talent which unfortunately I can't attend because I'm currently in Devon promoting what a wonderful borough Barnet is to teach in.

The staff at Monken Hadley have yearly training in first aid and when we had the most recent training, I thought how useful it would be for children to know some of the skills we learn. Having made enquires, I found a company which trains children in basic first aid and on Wednesday of this week all our Junior children attained certification for an Emergency First Aid course which included CPR. It's something we will look into doing annually from now on because of the huge benefits to the children in terms of their understanding of how the body works and the potential they now have to save someone's life.

Today Beech class had their Roman workshop and Mrs Christofi reports that: 'Beech class have had a fantastic day learning all about the Romans. We have acted out the story of how Rome, once a small town, became a huge, powerful, empire. We have seen a real Roman sword, fired a catapult and learnt all about Roman baths and public toilets. We have tried on helmets and played Roman board games. We even learnt to add using an abacus.'

Regards

Miss Froud



Winners of the science poster competition



The Roman Workshop



First Aid Training

## Candlemas Service

A reminder that all parents/carers are welcome at the Candlemas service at St Mary the Virgin on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February at 9.05am.

## Beech Class Assembly

Parents/carers of children in Beech class are warmly invited to the class' assembly on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February at 9.00am.

## Safer Internet

Safer Internet Day will take place on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February. A reminder that there are two useful documents regarding online safety on our website: *Supporting Young People Online* and *Digital Parenting*.



## Star Pupils

Willow - Lucia  
Chestnut - Archie  
Beech - Joshua  
Cedar - Rafe  
Oak - Violet-Beau