



Woodlands International College

Junior College Newsletter

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Dear Woodlands Family,

This week's newsletter is a bit of a test, in keeping with our annual Inter House General Knowledge Quiz, so smoothly organised and executed by our own Hermione Granger, Ms Stanbridge. Our Woodlands' teams are well set and ready to compete for the coveted trophy of heroes of all that is trivial, but necessary. I look forward to the Hawks showing their skills...

It is not Dr Pienaar speaking to you this week. It is Ms Gray... and in keeping with the good doctor's philosophy, be prepared for other intruders in his newsletter space.

I would like our focus for the rest of 2019 to be that of recognition of the situations that all South Africans have to face. The economy is screaming out for medical assistance. Our close friends are in need of support and understanding in these very difficult times. There are so many social media posts that lead us to believe in, or deny certain values, and it is at our College that we want to dispel all of these misconceptions. It is for this reason that we appeal to you, once again, to keep birthday celebrations to the minimum. No child needs more than a single cupcake or mini donut to enjoy a birthday. We do not want to promote a culture of competition... we want to promote a culture of unity. So please parents, restrict those tasty treats to a simple, single sweet treat, deliverable by your child. Stick to the adage that **less is more!**

As always, we value your support in our endeavours to prepare our children to be the future of our country.

Ms Gray

Other points to note: