



# Woodlands International College Junior College Newsletter 14 February 2020

*Dear Woodlands Family,*

**Love, friendship, etc.**

Today is “Valentine’s Day”. In the Junior College, our children and teachers go all out. We have a competition for the best dressed group of teachers, and the winners were: The Grade 2 teacher group. (See photo below).

Our little people had a civvies day and also bought bangles for each other with messages on them like: “Have an awesome day” “Thank you for everything” “You make me smile” and others.... Amazingly endearing!

I then just had to google the meaning of Valentine’s Day. Here is the one of the explanations from google: “The first Valentine’s Day was in the year 496 (believe it or not!). Having a particular Valentine’s Day is a very old tradition, thought to have originated from a Roman festival. The Romans had a festival called Lupercalia in the middle of February – officially the start of their springtime”.

So now I know why I have to buy my wife flowers every year... ☺. Have a caring and compassionate week everyone.

I guess it doesn’t really matter why we have Valentine’s Day, at least we focus on someone other than ourselves at this time, which could never be a bad thing!

So remember, never, ever give up!

*Dr G Pienaar*

