

Bunga Newsletter Mid-Term II 25-26

Academic Year Calendar 2026 - 2027

Month	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
August	1. School Opening Ceremony 2. Sports Day 3. Mid-Year Exam	1. Sports Day 2. Mid-Year Exam 3. School Assembly	1. Sports Day 2. Mid-Year Exam 3. School Assembly
September	1. Sports Day 2. Mid-Year Exam 3. School Assembly	1. Sports Day 2. Mid-Year Exam 3. School Assembly	1. Sports Day 2. Mid-Year Exam 3. School Assembly
October	1. Sports Day 2. Mid-Year Exam 3. School Assembly	1. Sports Day 2. Mid-Year Exam 3. School Assembly	1. Sports Day 2. Mid-Year Exam 3. School Assembly
November	1. Sports Day 2. Mid-Year Exam 3. School Assembly	1. Sports Day 2. Mid-Year Exam 3. School Assembly	1. Sports Day 2. Mid-Year Exam 3. School Assembly
December	1. Sports Day 2. Mid-Year Exam 3. School Assembly	1. Sports Day 2. Mid-Year Exam 3. School Assembly	1. Sports Day 2. Mid-Year Exam 3. School Assembly

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Message from the Head of School



Dear Parents and Guardians,
As we reach the middle of the term, we would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation for your continued support and partnership. Your commitment plays a vital role in the success of our learners and the smooth running of our school activities.

This term, we did not have a mid-term break due to the disruptions caused by the national elections. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we worked to ensure consistency and stability for our learners during this period.

We would also like to sincerely thank you for your active involvement in our recent school events, including the field trips, Language Day, Art Week, and Stand Up to Bullying Day. Your encouragement and participation greatly contributed to the excitement and learning experienced by our students.

We are excited to announce as part of our celebration to mark 10years @Bunga we shall have a community run on the 18 th of April 2026 then we shall crown our celebrations on the 24 th April 2026.You are all invited.

Thank you once again for walking this journey with us. We look forward to a productive and successful remainder of the term.

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August	Term 1	January	Term 2	April	Term 3					
<p>August</p> <p>Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p> <p>6-7 HoDs in Service (No Classes) 10-13 Staff in Service / New Staff Induction (No Classes) 14 Open Day 17 First Day of Term 1 31 CEM Assessments Start</p>	<p>September</p> <p>Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30</p> <p>7-11 Family Week - Early Years 7-11 Art Week - Primary & Lower Secondary 11 Coffee with the Curriculum Coordinator 11 PRO Selections 25 Lower Secondary Career Day Workshop 21-25 Student Council Inventure 25 Student Elections</p>	<p>October</p> <p>Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p> <p>1 Global Village 2 Staff Appreciation Day (No Classes) 3-6 Lower Secondary Overnight Trip 5 World Teachers Day 5-9 Mid-Term Break 9 Public Holiday - Independence Day 12-16 Staff Appreciation Week 19 Family Check-in - Early Years & Primary 23 Family Check-in - Lower Secondary 26-30 Book Week</p>	<p>November</p> <p>Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30</p> <p>5-7 Acorns Exchange 14 Talent Hunt 16 Term 1 Exams Start</p>	<p>December</p> <p>Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p> <p>9 Open House Talent Hunt 10-11 Three-Way Conferences (No Classes) 11 Term 1 Ends (No classes) 14-01 Term 1 Break</p>	<p>January</p> <p>Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p> <p>4 Staff in Service (No Classes) 5 First Day of Term 2 22 Coffee with the Curriculum Coordinator 26 Public Holiday - NRM Liberation Day</p>	<p>February</p> <p>Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29</p> <p>1 Class Photos Start 8 Mocks Exams Start - Lower Secondary 12 Field Trips - Primary & Early Years 16 Public Holiday - Archbishop Janani Luwum Day 19 Family Language Day 22 Mid-Term Break 23 Term 2 Exams Start 26 International Stand-Up to Bullying Day</p>	<p>March</p> <p>Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p> <p>6 Family Fun Day 8 Public Holiday - International Women's Day 10 Public Holiday - Eid-Al-Fitr (TBD) 19 International Francophonie Day 22 Student-Led Conferences - Primary 23 Student-Led Conferences - Lower Secondary 24 Sports Day - Early Years & Lower Primary (No Classes) 25 Sports Day / Term 2 Ends - Upper Primary & Lower Secondary 26 Public Holiday - Good Friday 28 Easter Sunday 29 Public Holiday - Easter Monday 30-2 Term 2 Break</p>	<p>April</p> <p>Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30</p> <p>5 Staff in Service (No Classes) 6 First Day of Term 3 22 International Earth Day 30 Checkpoint Briefing - Y6 & Y9</p>	<p>May</p> <p>Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p> <p>1 Public Holiday - Labour Day 3 Checkpoint Exams Start - Y6 & Y9 17 Public Holiday - Eid Al-Adha (TBD) 24 Term 3 Exams Start</p>	<p>June</p> <p>Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30</p> <p>3 Public Holiday - Martyrs' Day 4 Step-Up Day 9 Public Holiday - National Heroes Day 15 Family-Teacher Conferences 17 Graduation Day EY3 & Y6 18 Celebration of Learning 18 Term 3 Ends 21-25 Staff in Service (No Classes)</p>

Admin Office Hours
School Days: 7:30am - 5:00pm
Saturday / School Holidays: 9:00am - 4:00pm
Sunday / Public Holidays: Closed

Finance Office Hours
School Days: 7:30 am - 4:00pm
School Holidays: 9:00am - 4:00pm
Weekends / Public Holidays: Closed

School Events
■ Staff in Service (No Classes)
■ Public Holidays / Weekends
■ School Holidays
■ School Days
■ Events with family participation

Term 1
79 days
First Day: 17 August 2026
Last Day: 11 December 2026

Term 2
54 days
First Day: 5 January 2027
Last Day: 25 March 2027

Term 3
51 days
First Day: 6 April 2027
Last Day: 17 June 2027

Term 1 of 2027-2028 starts August 16, 2027



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Message from Head of Primary

Warm Greetings, Acorns Family!

It's an absolute delight to connect with you once again. We're grateful to have you as part of our vibrant community!



This half-term has been an exciting ride, filled with learning and reflective moments. Our students and teachers have been putting in tremendous effort, and we're excited to share these highlights with you.

Lower Primary Field Trips

Lower Primary Field Trip to Rosebud Farm Limited and Uganda Wildlife Conservation Education Centre.

Our Lower Primary Y1-Y3 students enjoyed a memorable and hands-on learning experience during their visit to Rosebud Farm in Namulanda and the Uganda Wildlife Conservation Education Centre in Entebbe.

At Rosebud Farm, learners discovered how roses are grown, cared for, and prepared as a final product for the market. They were able to see where the roses are kept and understand the journey from garden to packaging. The children were also excited to see rabbits and had the opportunity to interact and play with them, making the visit both educational and enjoyable.

At the zoo, students explored a wide variety of animals, including lions, a white tiger, otters, and several birds such as the peacock, crested crane, eagle, and ostrich. The visit helped learners appreciate wildlife and understand the importance of caring for animals and their habitats. The trip was a wonderful blend of learning, discovery, and fun.





Upper Primary Field Trips

Upper Primary Field Trip to Entebbe International Airport, Uganda National Meteorological Authority Entebbe, Reptile Village, and Aero Beach

Our Upper Primary students had an exciting and informative field trip to Entebbe, where learning extended far beyond the classroom.

Along the way, students viewed Entebbe International Airport, where they watched airplanes taking off and landing and observed passengers waiting for their flights. It was a fascinating experience that gave them insight into air travel and airport operations.

At the Uganda National Meteorological Authority, learners explored different weather instruments and discovered how they are used to measure weather conditions. They learned how these tools help experts predict the weather and understand climate patterns.

The visit to Reptile Village was equally thrilling. Students saw a variety of reptiles, including snakes such as mambas and pythons, as well as turtles and crocodiles. They gained knowledge about the characteristics and habitats of these fascinating creatures.

The trip concluded at Aero Beach, where students enjoyed their lunch in a calm environment. They also saw some old airplanes and spent time exploring the lakeshore. The field trip was a wonderful mix of science, nature, and real-world learning experiences.





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Message from Curriculum Coordinator Early Years

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we move steadily through this term, I would like to take a moment to sincerely thank you for the consistent support you have shown since January.



Following a productive meeting with the Curriculum Coordinator, we reflected on the importance of building strong routines and soft skills to support children’s overall growth. Consistent daily anchor points—such as wake-up times, meals, and bedtime—provide children with security, reduce anxiety, and encourage independence.

Parents are encouraged to offer age-appropriate choices, break tasks into manageable steps, give transition warnings, praise effort, and allow time for free play and creativity. We also emphasized the value of nurturing soft skills like sharing, listening, cooperation, and good manners alongside academics. Continued partnership between home and school, through shared expectations and open communication, ensures children are consistently supported in developing confidence, positive behavior, and lifelong habits.



In Early Years, learning goes far beyond the classroom walls. When families reinforce routines, encourage independence, read regularly at home, and actively participate in school activities, children thrive. We have already seen wonderful progress in confidence, communication skills, social development, and independence across our classes and this is truly a testament to our strong partnership with you.

Special days such as Favourite Week and our the Language Day are not just celebrations; they are intentional learning experiences designed to build identity, vocabulary, cultural awareness, and self-expression. Your cooperation in preparing the children, following guidance shared in our notes, and engaging with school initiatives makes these experiences meaningful and successful.

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Early Years Favourite Week



Language Day



Art Week



Art Week was a vibrant celebration of creativity and self-expression, giving students the opportunity to explore a wide range of hands-on art techniques and materials. Throughout the week, learners created animal dotting and mosaic pieces, experimented with magic resist painting and paper marbling, and designed nature-inspired prints using leaves and palm imprints with layered effects. They strengthened fine motor skills through weaving, pom-pom making, and mini God's Eye crafts, while also enjoying expressive activities such as Pollock-inspired drip and splatter painting, bubble painting, straw painting, and balloon painting. The week was filled with colour, imagination, and joyful learning, encouraging every child to confidently explore and showcase their artistic talents.

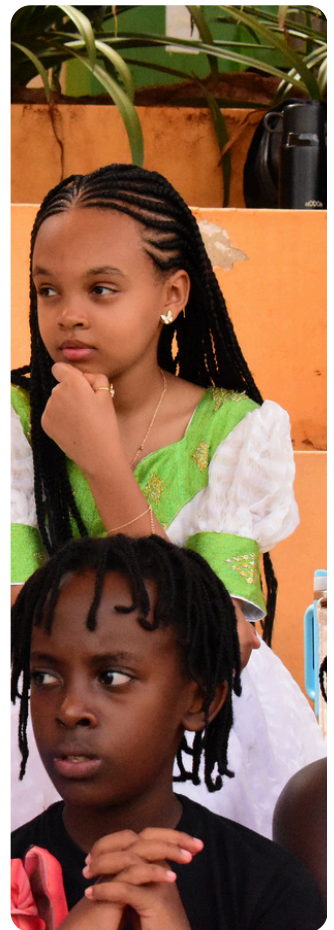


Language Day



Language Day was a vibrant celebration of culture, diversity, and communication. Some students came dressed to represent different countries and proudly showcased the various languages spoken within our school community, while others described traditional foods and shared unique aspects of their cultures.

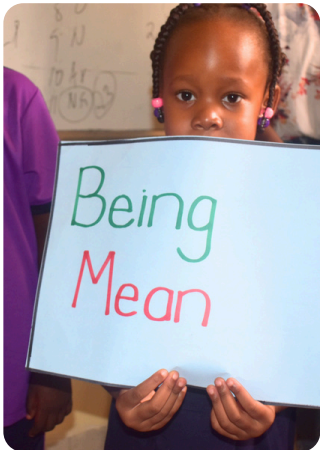
Through performances, greetings, songs, and short presentations, learners demonstrated the beauty of multilingualism. The event promoted unity, respect, and appreciation for different cultures, reminding us that language connects us all.



International Stand Up to Bullying Day

Stand Up to Bullying Day was a powerful reminder of the importance of kindness, respect, and inclusion within our school community. Students engaged in meaningful discussions and activities that highlighted the impact of bullying and the importance of speaking up against it.

Learners participated in a debate, explored the different types of bullying, and created upstander pledges to show their commitment to standing up for others. Some students took on the role of Anti-Bullying Ambassadors within the school, while others worked together to design kindness display boards. The day reinforced our shared responsibility to create a safe, supportive, and caring environment for everyone.



Message from Head of Finance



The Finance Department is proud to continue supporting you with our enhanced digital systems, designed to make fee-related processes smoother, clearer, and more efficient.

Benefits for Parents:

- Clear, detailed, and timely fee statements
- Accurate allocation of payments across tuition, lunch, transport, and club activities
- Prompt issuance of receipts and confirmations
- Timely reminders and communication regarding any balances
- Reduced administrative processing time, ensuring a seamless experience

Our goal is to provide a transparent, professional, and hassle-free financial process, so you can focus on what truly matters—your child’s learning and growth.

We are always available to assist you with any finance-related queries and value your feedback to help us continually improve.

Fees Payment Deadlines:

- o A minimum of 70% of the school fees must be cleared at the start of the term.
- o New Admissions 100% of the school fees must be cleared at the start of the term.
- o Students whose fees remain unpaid after 10 days will be sent home until the full amount is settled.
- o Students with any outstanding fees will not be permitted to begin the new term.

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Message from Head of Admissions & Advancements



As Head of Admissions and Advancement, I would like to sincerely thank you for your continued support and partnership with our school. Your commitment plays a vital role in building a strong and thriving school community.

We are excited about the rest of the term ahead and the enriching learning experiences planned for your children.

Parent referrals remain key to our growth. Please feel free to direct prospective families to the Admissions Office, as we are currently accepting new students.

Thank you for entrusting us with your children. We look forward to a successful and fulfilling term together.



Office Hours:

The school office remains open on Saturday from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM for inquiries and payments. Please note the Office remains closed Public Holidays.

March						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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- 6** ECD Field Trips Start
- 2-13** End of Term II Exams
- 8** Public Holiday - International Women's Day
- 15** Travel - Acorns Exchange Program
- 16** Leadership Workshop
- 17** Service (Project)
- 19** International Francophonie Day
- 20** Public Holiday - Eid al-Fitr (TBD)
- 30-31** Student Led Conferences

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