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Message from the Head of School



This short but vibrant term has been filled with meaningful experiences for our learners. After beginning with online lessons during the election period, we were grateful to safely resume physical classes with government approval. It has been wonderful to see our students back on campus, learning and interacting joyfully.

Highlights included our Language Day celebrations, the introduction of Class of the Month and Teacher and Staff of the Month initiatives, and strong support from our PTO through events and planning activities. We also held a successful new parent orientation and Coffee with the Curriculum Coordinator sessions to strengthen home-school collaboration.

Our learners enjoyed enriching field trips, with Years 4 and 5 visiting Entebbe International Airport, Uganda Reptile Village, and Aero Beach, while Years 1 and 2 explored the Uganda Wildlife Conservation Education Centre and Rosebud Farm.

Looking ahead, we are excited to host World Scholars (April 1-3), participate in ISU-MUN and the World Scholars programme, and prepare for our upcoming Sports Day. We are also pleased to welcome our new school counsellor, Ms. Nankya Ruth Cindy.

Thank you for your continued partnership as we remain committed to providing a warm and supportive learning environment.



Nankya Cindy

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Message from the Head of Primary



I am delighted to be serving as the new Head of Department for Primary. Since joining the Acorns community in late January, it has been a rewarding and busy start, and I am grateful to be part of such a welcoming school.

This term, we have introduced structured phonics in Years 1–3, added intervention time for English and Mathematics, and launched our Learning Support Services (LSS) Department to better support diverse learners. Our teachers have also engaged in professional development focused on curriculum planning, differentiated instruction, and positive behaviour management. In addition to my HOD role, I teach Science in Years 4 and 5, which keeps me closely connected to classroom learning.

Art Week

We were especially pleased to see the excitement and creativity during Art Week. Students thoroughly enjoyed a variety of hands-on activities throughout the day, including tie-dye, painting, working with clay, and many other creative projects. It was wonderful to see students so engaged, expressive, and proud of their work. The week truly highlighted the importance of creativity in learning.

Field Trip

Our students also benefited from engaging and educational field trips this term. These experiences allowed them to extend their classroom learning into real-world settings, making lessons more meaningful and memorable. Field trips provide valuable opportunities for exploration, curiosity, and hands-on discovery, and we look forward to planning more enriching experiences in the future.



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Art Week



Primary Trip



Message from the Head of Secondary

Warm greetings from Acorns International School – Lubowa.

Term II has begun on a positive and energetic note. We were delighted to welcome both new and returning learners, and we appreciate the continued trust reflected in our growing enrollment.

Our recent Coffee with the Curriculum Coordinator session strengthened home-school collaboration, providing insights into curriculum delivery, assessments, and pathways to IGCSE and A-Level success.

Year 9, 11, and 12 students are currently undertaking Pre-Mock examinations in preparation for the May 2026 exam series. We commend their dedication and encourage continued structured support at home.

Looking ahead, we are excited about:

- World Scholars Programme (1–3 April 2026)
- International Exchange Programme (16–18 April 2026)

As we approach the May examinations, our focus remains on structured preparation and academic excellence.

Thank you for your continued partnership.



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Professional Development Sessions

Professional development remains a cornerstone of excellence at Acorns International School Lubowa. This term, our teaching and support staff participated in engaging PD sessions focused on innovative instructional strategies, differentiated learning, student wellbeing, assessment for learning, and the effective integration of technology in the classroom. Through interactive workshops and collaborative discussions, educators explored practical approaches to strengthen student engagement and enhance learning outcomes across all year groups.

These sessions also provided valuable opportunities for staff to share best practices, reflect on their teaching, and align on our shared vision of student-centered learning. By investing in continuous professional growth, we ensure that our learners benefit from high-quality, forward-thinking instruction in a nurturing and dynamic environment. We are proud of the dedication demonstrated by our team and look forward to the positive impact these sessions will have throughout our school community.



Message from the P.T.O Chairperson



Warm greetings to you all. It is an honour to serve as Chairperson of the PTO at Acorns International School, Lubowa Campus. Since the school opened in 2025, Acorns has steadily grown as a centre of academic excellence and holistic learner development. The PTO was established last year to strengthen structured parent-teacher engagement, and this term we held our inaugural meeting, setting a clear roadmap anchored in partnership and shared purpose.

We are pleased to share that the PTO has successfully discussed and adopted the school policy, reflecting our commitment to transparent collaboration and a shared vision for academic and character development. Our initiatives are now aligned with the school's annual calendar, ensuring that parental involvement complements academic programs and co-curricular activities, creating consistency and support for learners both at home and in school.

Additionally, we have strengthened communication channels between parents, teachers, and the administration to ensure student welfare and development are addressed promptly. Looking ahead, the PTO remains committed to initiatives that encourage active parental participation, support student-centred programs, and foster a vibrant, values-driven school community.

Together, let us continue to build an environment where every child is empowered to thrive.

With appreciation and commitment.



Peter Yehangane
Chairperson

E.Y.P Favourites Week

At E.Y.P we had lots of fun celebrating our “Favourites Week”! The children enjoyed sharing their favourite toys, books, colours and activities with their friends. It was wonderful to see everyone building confidence, talking about what makes them special, and learning more about each other. A fantastic week full of smiles, sharing and creativity!



Swimming Lessons Kickstart

We are proud to announce that our new school swimming pool has officially been completed! Learners can now enjoy swimming as part of their school activities. This exciting addition will support fitness, confidence and water safety skills across the whole school.

