

January News Letter

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Excellent Primary Leaving Exam Results

2023 AJS P7 Exam Results

TOP! MOST EVER!

Division 1	34
Division 2	1
Division 3	0
Division 4	0
Failed	0

2023 P7 Exam Results: ★ ★

100% Pass Rate!

◆ ◆ AJS Results

87% of students passed in Division 1
3% of students passed in Division 2
Best results in the district!

◆ MJS Results

19% of students passed in Division 1
7% of students passed in Division 2
10% of students passed in Division 3

20 YEARS REACH FOR UGANDA

Compare National 2023 PLE Statistics

	2023 PLE Performance					
	Uganda		Bududa		AAH	
Division 1	86,582	11.6%	101	3.5%	34	97.1%
Division 2	336,507	44.9%	1,154	39.9%	1	2.9%
Division 3	156,290	20.9%	685	23.7%		0.0%
Division 4	69,293	9.2%	457	15.8%		0.0%
Division U	88,269	11.8%	445	15.4%		0.0%
Division X	12,323	1.6%	50	1.7%		0.0%
Total	749,264	100.0%	2,892	100.0%	35	100.0%

Best AAH Performing Student- Nakwekwe

We are proud of our students, staff, parents and donors making it possible for our students to excel. The *New Vision* national paper featured on its front page our student Henry.



Henry Nakwekwe scored perfect 4 aggregates.



Check out this video from the local Lumasaba news on celebrations at Arlington and how our staff and students celebrated the news about good performance.

Many of our top performing students are in need of sponsors. Please select a student to sponsor here and change their lives as they change yours too.

Hello Joyce,

Great news! We're happy to report that the 2023 Primary Leaving Examinations (PLE) results are in, and all of our students at Arlington Junior School (AJS) and Matuwa Junior School (MJS) have passed! The PLE is a national exam at the end of primary school that determines who is permitted to continue on to secondary school, so it's a very important milestone. We celebrate with our staff and students on this achievement.

PLE results are ranked by grades, the best performers in Division one, followed by two, three, four, and then U and X. Countrywide, 11.6% of the students passed in Division one. In the Bududa district, where Arlington Junior School is located, 3.5% of the students passed in Division one.

Arlington Junior School did exceptionally well; 97% of AJS students scored in Division One, placing it in the top 1% of schools in the country. Henry Nakwekwe got a perfect score of 4 aggregates, and was the first student in the school's history to get a perfect score. Best girl Naburonya Zaidat Rajab, Namanda Daniel and Shikanga Job Wakwaale got 5 aggregates. All our students did very well in the PLE and we are very proud of them. AJS was the best performing school in the Bududa District and these were the best PLE scores in AJS history.

At Matuwa Junior School, this was only the second year that students sat for

the PLE. We are very proud that every student passed, and all of these students will go on to secondary school. Most of them are the first in their families to go to a secondary school (high school in the US).

This great performance at both of our schools is a testament to our hardworking teachers, staff, students, their supportive families, and our wonderful sponsors and supporters! A special thanks go to our partner schools here in the US - the teachers, students and parents of [Arlington Traditional School](#), [Tuckahoe Elementary School](#), [Nottingham Elementary School](#), [Discovery](#) and [Silverbrook Elementary School](#) for your involvement. We also want to thank the volunteers and donors from the US who visited our programs last year and worked at our schools, including students and faculty from Marymount University.

As these students move on to secondary school, many of them have no sponsors including our top most boy and girl. We encourage [you to consider sponsoring a student here today.](#)

Sponsor A Student

100% girls at AJS passed in division 1

Very proud of all your hard work! Celebrations erupted at AAH after learning about the excellent performance of the students. Here is [what one news outlet reported](#)



Celebrating History. 1st perfect score

"As I always said about Arlington Traditional School, great don't happen by chance, it happens by design. This is true for Arlington Junior School too! It was truly a team effort and we are grateful for each and every one of you. Look at what the AAH graduates contributed! The staff, students, and parents have formed a golden triangle! I know

Thank you donors in Boulder

Thank you Dr. Mittleman and your wife Linda for hosting REACH in Boulder. We appreciate everyone who came and contributed to the building fund for the AAH secondary school; we appreciate Simon Kyeyune for sharing his music with the guests. We also thank board member Ani for all her work on this event.

this success will continue to our secondary school."
Holly Hawthorne



Our Bright New 1st Graders Need Sponsors!



Would you like to sponsor a brand new student at Arlington Junior or Matuwa Junior School? Starting as a sponsor for a P1 student is an amazing opportunity to learn and grow with your student on their educational journey. Beginning with the first wonderful letter you receive from your sponsored student, you'll make a lifelong connection and see the power of your investment in a child's potential. [Sponsor one of Uganda's future leaders by clicking here.](#)

Upcoming Events

April 21st Global Strides 5K Run

Join us for the global 5k Run/funrun/ walk at Bluemont part, Arlington VA - led by Reach volunteer Ritch Viola. Early registration is open. [Register early here.](#) Any question please reach out to Ritch Viola ritch@reachforuganda.org

March 21st Fundraising event at Golf Course Hotel Kampala

Join our AAH Uganda team in a major fundraiser to help build Arlington secondary and vocational school. More information or to rsvp, please call Phoebe or Nelson on

Come with us to Uganda this summer



REACH FOR UGANDA **2024 REACH Trips to Uganda**
Forrest/Strides Academy of Hope
Nourish • Empower • Inspire • Connect • Thrive

Registration Deadline: TODAY (1/31)

Contact a trip leader to register:

Teacher Trip (3/20-3/30): joyce@reachforuganda.org	Teen Trip (7/17-8/5): ani@reachforuganda.org
Adult and Family Trip (6/27-7/11): dick@reachforuganda.org	Work Trip (8/01-8/30): john@reachforuganda.org

Secure your spot and sign up today!

More information can be found here:
<https://reachforuganda.org/getinvolved/trips/>



Experience warm welcome

Our students in Uganda look forward to welcoming you and sharing their greetings and music with you.

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Pay your trip deposit here

Sign up to participate on the many trips above. After the close of registration, you can still join but planning will proceed with the group who already registered. There are plenty of seats left on the Teacher Trip, Adult and Family Trip, and Working Trip. There are only a few slots left on the Teen Trip. If you have questions about the trip, please reach out to the trip leader.

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Students: Design a logo for a race day t-shirt!

We'd love to have YOU create a design for the logo of this year's Global Strides 5k, benefitting REACH for Uganda! Your design will be on some of our marketing materials for the race as well as the T-shirts received by all race participants.

Your design must include:

- Ugandan flag colors - black, red, yellow (can include more colors)
- Our organization name: REACH for Uganda

Otherwise, be creative! What does REACH for Uganda make you think of? What are your favorite things about REACH for Uganda? What might running to fundraise look like?

Fill out the submission form at this link: Winner will be announced on race day.

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