



Update

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Richard Dean, Dr.Margaret Griffin and Dick Beath visited the School in March 2015.

An excellent start to the new school year!

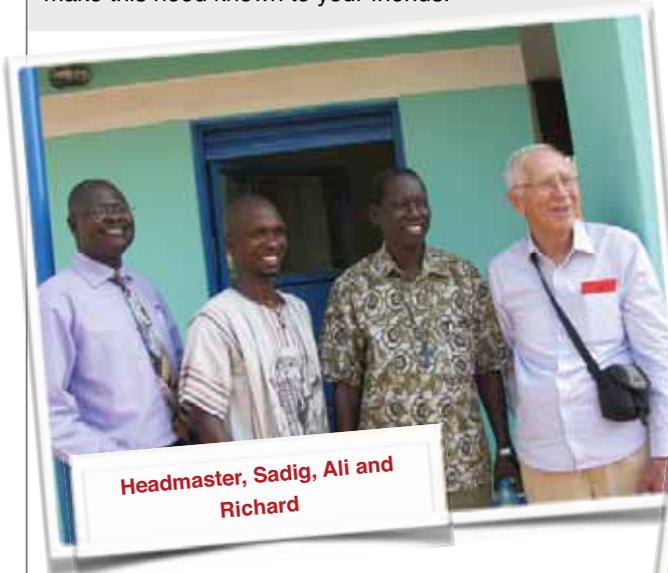
A majestic 2-storey building was opened on 27 March 2015. It was skilfully designed by the Juba Diocese architect, Eng.Sadig, and well built by Alico Construction, Mr.Ali Doka. This provides space for the increased number of students at School and another staff room for the teachers. More students mean that we need more sponsors, 8 in fact. Can you please make this need known to your friends.



2-storey Classroom Block

Girls Boarding House

Closed during 2014 for security reasons it has now been re-opened but with only 12 girls in residence at present. Posing in front of a banana tree outside the House is the Senior Mistress, Charity Korir, with 10 of the girls. Three are from Western Equatoria State, (WES); one of these, Antezia , 4th from the right, is secretary of the School Debating Club and her mother is deputy speaker of the WES Assembly. Antezia will sit her 'South Sudan Certificate of Education', (SSCE), (the new title for School Certificate), in December. She told Richard: 'I wish to be an engineer in future and also to help orphans who have no parents, to live a happy life.' The School is hoping more girls will register for boarding next term.



Headmaster, Sadig, Ali and Richard

Give thanks for:

- the opening of the new Classroom Block
- the commitment and loyalty of the teachers
- the living faith of the students in word and deed

Please pray:

- planning and help for the 'Teach First' course provisionally to start in June
- funding and teacher training for the vocational ICT course in 2016
- help to build a computer room, an extra science lab and the football pitch



Boarding House Girls

Teaching Staff

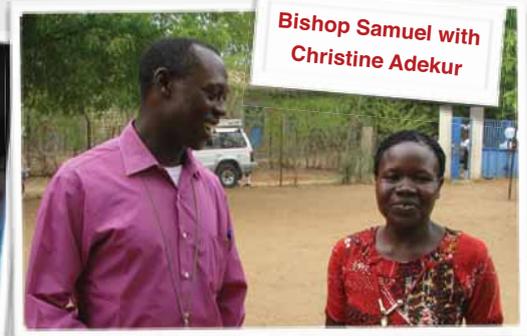
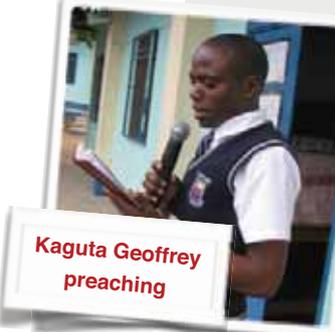
At the Prize Giving the teachers were commended again and again for their commitment and professional skill. Without this, the School would not have achieved such excellent SSCE results. Teachers came in voluntarily on Saturdays prior to the exam last year to give the students extra revision. In the photo Deputy Head, Robert Kei, is seen squatting in the centre, front row, with Tabu Lorube, Head of Maths, at his left hand. These two will play a vital role in both the 'Teach First' Course for Secondary School teachers and the Vocational ICT training for students.



The student who came top in SSCE with 89.2% and won the Salisbury Cup, Ariik Ariik, has been taken on as the new Lab Technician, responsible for helping the Science teachers prepare for their practical sessions in the Lab.

Spiritual Life and School Discipline

Each day the school assembly begins with student-led Christian worship and prayers. Following this there is time following a daily theme, 'news', drama, etc. On Thursdays a student preaches a short sermon. The photo shows Kaguta Geoffrey preaching powerfully on Zacchaeus, with the challenge to us all, like the tax collector, to draw closer to Jesus. Two well-attended, after-school Scripture Union clubs meet each Tuesday. These are overseen by a Maths teacher, Christine Adekur, shown in the photo talking to Bishop Samuel Peni on Prize Giving day.



JDMSS on the web

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WWW .jdmss.co.uk

The Headmaster and staff work hard to achieve a high standard of discipline. 'Accept the discipline or leave the school', the students are told, 'there are plenty of others only too eager to take your places.' Results of this can be seen in the smartness, punctuality and respect shown by the students, fertile soil for learning. Discipline can often be aided by robust physical exercise - a proper football pitch would be an enormous asset. Land is available near the School but it requires fairly costly fencing and levelling.

Thank you for your prayers and your gifts. Both are essential to the continuance of the school.

For further details of how you can help:

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