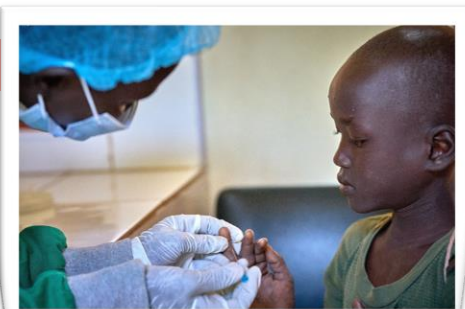




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Month of Rosary

In the Catholic tradition, the month of October is dedicated to our Holy Mother Mary and the Rosary is prayed throughout the month. The school comes together to pray as a group every evening around the statue of Mary. Praying together creates a sense of unity and shared purpose by providing support for one another. During the prayers, we take time to reflect on things we are grateful for and pray for our school, families, communities, and country at large. At this moment, we also pray to Mother Mary for guidance in our lives.



Placement Test at Education Centre



This month, Loreto Education Centre enrolled its third batch with placement tests in English and computers. These tests are done to determine the level at which students are to be placed when it comes to global English. A good number came to register for these courses. Girls are encouraged to enhance their abilities through this programme, but the enrollment of young women is still low. Every single one of them makes a difference. Eighty-four students successfully passed the test and were enrolled. Their classes began on the 8th of October. We wish them the best with their studies.

CDOR Donation

The Catholic Diocese of Rumbek (CDOR) is committed to ensuring that physically disabled children get equal opportunities in acquiring knowledge at schools. Loreto too opens its doors to all. Gurke, one of our Primary 5 learners who has a leg problem due to a snake bite, received a bicycle to help him make his way to school. Mr. Matung, the primary headteacher, appreciated this initiative from CDOR and emphasised the importance of inclusivity in education. "It has been very hard for me to get to school, because I cannot move fast like other learners. I am happy to receive this gift. I will no longer take long to get to school," says Gurke.



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Academics and Health Talk



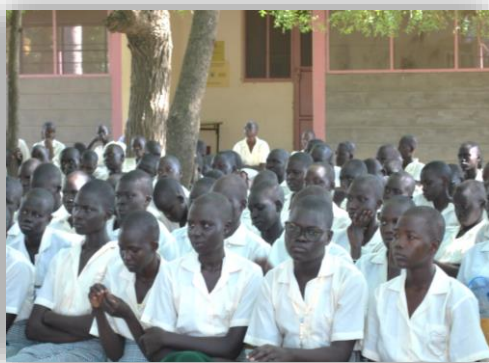
This month, the secondary school had a parent teacher meeting about health and the academic performance of students. The school counselor was there to discuss health issues, while teachers spoke about the students' performance. Different issues that contributed to students' performance were discussed and ways to support them were explored. The school counsellor said in the meeting, "It is our collective responsibility to ensure that we provide the help students needs toward the right path on their academic journey." Health and good performance align together. When students are healthy they will perform well. After the meeting, the parents were given the chance to catch up with their daughters.

Saint Daniel Comboni Day

On 10th October, we celebrated the feast of St. Daniel Comboni. This is a big day for us as a missionary school, because St. Daniel Comboni contributed a lot toward education in South Sudan and other parts of Africa. We had a Mass to give thanks for his great work. The school choirs sang songs of praise that were composed for St. Daniel. Later that day, the school had a special meal prepared by the Senior 3 students. We are always grateful to St. Daniel Comboni and are happy to commemorate him, as he paved way for education in our country.



Third term assembly



This month, we also had a school general assembly, since it is the last term of the school year. All the students were advised to maintain discipline and work hard. At school, the challenges facing students were discussed and teachers, together with students, found solutions to overcome them. Mr. Amos, the deputy headteacher, advised the students, "For you to be successful in all you do and achieve your goals, you must maintain the highest level of discipline." All in all, the students were happy to have the discussion at the assembly. One of the students said, "It is always good to have this kind of discussion, because this is where we are heard and recognized." We wish our students the best with their studies and good luck with their exams.

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