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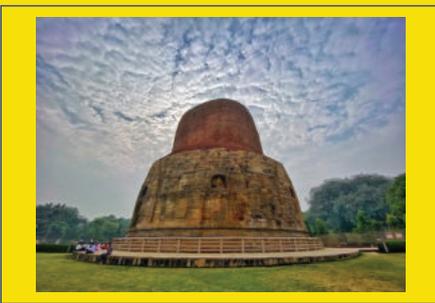
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PRIMARY SEVEN CANDIDATES PREPARE FOR THEIR NATIONAL EXAMS

This term marks a significant milestone for Buddhist Peace Primary School as our ten Primary Seven students gear up for the national Primary Leaving Examinations (PLE). The big day is almost here. After weeks of hard work and dedication, our young learners will sit for their exams on November 3rd and 4th, 2025, following an official briefing on October 31st.

This year's PLE candidates include four talented novice monks, two devoted novice nuns, and four enthusiastic lay students. As they prepare to take this crucial step into secondary education, we're reminded of the school's proud history of academic excellence. In 2023, our small but mighty cohort of four students achieved outstanding results, with two earning first grades and two

securing second grades.

The school community is rallying behind our young achievers, and we're confident that they'll make us proud. Our educators have worked tirelessly to lay strong foundations, and now it's time for the community to offer support and encouragement. "We ask for your prayers and encouragement as our students embark on this critical journey," said the administration.



Let's come together to celebrate our students' journey, honor their hard work, and wish

them all the best as they take this significant step into secondary education.





OPEN FINAL TERM OF THE YEAR

Buddhist Peace Nursery and Primary Schools open for term 3

Buddhist Peace Nursery and Primary Schools welcomed Term Three on September 15, kicking off the final stretch of the academic year. This term is crucial as learners are evaluated for advancement to the next class level.

Primary Section Highlights

The Primary section began the term with registration, class organization, and assessments from September 17-19. To boost academic performance, teachers have introduced morning lessons and Saturday classes, emphasizing punctuality and English-speaking skills.

Upcoming Events

The term's calendar is packed with exciting events, including:

- o Independence Day (October 9): Celebrat-

ing 63 years of Uganda's independence

- o Midterm Assessments (October 15-17): Evaluating learner progress
- o Academic Day (October 24): Parents and teachers discuss learner progress
- o Environmental Day (October 29): Community clean-up efforts and environmental awareness
- o Final Assessments (November 19-21): End-of-term evaluations
- o Annual Speech Day (November 28): Celebrating learner achievements



NURSERY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Our youngest learners are building a strong foundation for their future education through engaging class activities and structured play. They'll participate in community events like Independence Day and Environmental Day, culminating in end-of-term speech day celebrations.

Gratitude and Appreciation

We're grateful for the support of our teachers, parents, and community in shaping the future of our children. We look forward to celebrating our learners' success at the end of the year.



AFRICAN BUDDHIST HIGH SCHOOL



AFRICAN BUDDHIST HIGH SCHOOL KICKS OFF TERM THREE WITH FOCUS ON DISCIPLINE AND EXCELLENCE

African Buddhist High School welcomed Term Three on September 15, with a strong emphasis on academics and discipline. The term began with assessments designed to encourage revision and prepare learners for a successful year-end.

Strategies for Success

Teachers have introduced strategies to boost learner engagement, including group discussions, punctuality, and active participation in school clubs. Students will also participate in agricultural activities every Saturday through mid-October, promoting responsibility and practical skills.

Key Events This Term

- o Counselling and Guidance (October 3): Supporting student well-being and academic success
- o Independence Day Celebrations (October 9): Commemorating 63 years of Uganda's independence
- o Environmental Clean-up Day (October 29): Promoting environmental awareness and community service
- o Midterm Exams (October 20-31): Evaluating learner progress
- o Academic Visitation Day (November 1): Parents and teachers review student progress
- o Project Work Showcase (November 4-15): Students display their project work
- o End-of-term Exams (November 24-31): Final assessments
- o School Year Closure (December 5): Official end of the academic year



WALK IN THE BUDDHA'S FOOTSTEPS: SECURE YOUR SPOT FOR THE 2026 INDIA & NEPAL PILGRIMAGE.

India & Nepal March 2026 In a rare and transformative opportunity for spiritual seekers around the world, RetreatTours, in collaboration with Tricycle: The Buddhist Review, has announced the return of its acclaimed pilgrimage, Walk with the Buddha. The 2026 edition will be led by Venerable Bhante Buddharakkhita, founder of the Uganda Buddhist Centre and one of Africa's pioneering voices in engaged Buddhism.

Running from March 8 to 21, 2026, this immersive journey invites participants to trace the footsteps of the Buddha himself from his birthplace in Lumbini to his enlightenment under the Bodhi tree in Bodhgaya, to his first teaching in Sarnath, and finally, to his peaceful passing in Kushinagar.

For those seeking an extended spiritual experience, an optional post-tour extension in Kathmandu, Nepal, will run through March 24, offering time for reflection, exploration, and community connection.

This is more than a pilgrimage; it is a profound return to the roots of the Dhamma, says Ven. Bhante Buddharakkhita. It's an invitation to connect deeply with the teachings in the very places where they were first shared.



A Spiritual Journey Grounded in Ethics and Sustainability

The pilgrimage is intentionally designed to honor Buddhist values, not only in practice but in logistics. The tour is carbon-negative, thanks to RetreaTours' partnership with Carbonfund.org, and prioritizes cultural sensitivity, mindful travel, and ecological responsibility. Participants will benefit from:

Daily meditations and teachings with Bhante Buddharakkhita

Guided visits to the Four Holy Sites and surrounding communities

An intimate group setting to foster deep spiritual reflection

Thoughtfully arranged accommodation, meals, and transportation for a seamless and nourishing journey

He was born in Uganda as Steven Kaboggoza to a Christian family in 1966 in Kampala, Uganda, East Africa, Africa. He first encountered Buddhism in 1990 while studying in India. He was fully ordained as a Buddhist monk by the late Most Venerable U Silananda in 2002 at the Tathagata Meditation Center in San Jose, California. He then spent eight years under the guidance of Bhante Henepola Gunaratana at the Bhavana Society in West Virginia.

He is the Founder/Abbot of the Uganda Buddhist Centre in Uganda. Bhante is also the founder of the Buddhist Peace School (Pre-Primary), Buddhist Peace Primary School, and African Buddhist High School in Entebbe Garuga, Uganda.

He is a long-time member of Global Buddhist Relief's advisory council in New Jersey. Bhante has been teaching mindfulness meditation in Africa, the U.S., Singapore, and worldwide since 2005, and he is a much-loved teacher in many countries.

Global Interest Already Building

With limited availability and international interest growing, early registration is highly encouraged.

To learn more and reserve your place, visit:

www.retreatours.com/Buddha2026

The Buddha's teachings are timeless. This pilgrimage is a reminder that the path he walked is still alive today within us, and across the world, Bhante Buddharakkhita.

Walk in the footsteps of the Buddha with Ven. Bhante Buddharakkhita and Tricycle on a pilgrimage through India and Nepal, March 8–21, 2026.

Optional extension to Kathmandu.

Reserve your place today

<http://www.retreatours.com/Buddha2026>

Registration Link below

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GRATITUDE MESSAGE FROM THE ABBOT: VEN. BHANTE BUDDHARAKKHITA

I am eternally grateful to all our supporters around the world who have supported the Uganda Buddhist Center projects, like Compassion Care Center, to provide education, food and accommodation for the orphans. And the Buddhist Peace Schools, preschool, primary school, and African Buddhist High School to help us educate children from our community, who are underprivileged, and do not have access to holistic education. Through your support, women in our com-

munity have acquired skills that have enabled them to earn income, sustain their families and take their children to school.

We are grateful for all your continued support. And also, I would like to welcome more support so that we can continue to help people in Uganda.

Thank you very much. This is my blessing to you all. May you have long healthy life, May you be happy, May you be peaceful, May you have spiritual strength, May you be free from suffering and its causes.

Sadhu, sadhu, sadhu.

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UBC still needs your support:

To maintain resident teachers/monastics

To maintain the Temple

To build monks accommodation facilities

To construct and operation of Buddhist Secondary School

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