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'I know the Lord secures justice for the poor and upholds the cause of the needy.'
Psalm 140 : 12 NIV

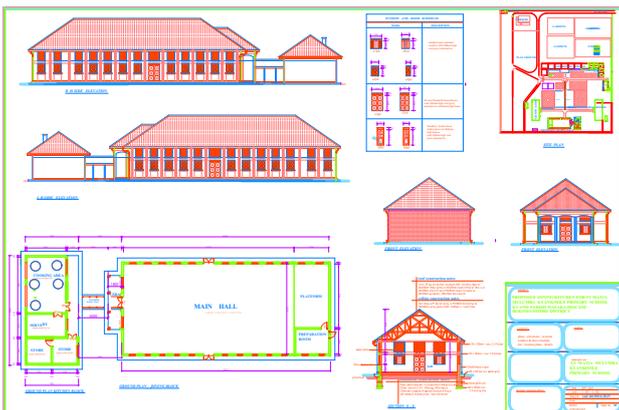
A Dining Room and Kitchen for St Matia Mulumba Primary School

Cooking for 298 boarders and 60 day school pupils at St Matia Mulumba School is a challenge, as shown by the large cooking pots in the existing semi-outdoor makeshift kitchen. In addition the children sometimes queue for food in the rain and eat wherever they can find shelter, usually on the verandas or in one of the classrooms.



Following a significant donation by one of our benefactors, work began on designing a new purpose-built dining hall and kitchen for the school. The dining hall will also be used for school assemblies and, will be available for concerts and other gatherings and functions.

Our local architect, Mr Ddungu, has, as always, come up with a stunning design, where there will be a separate safe cooking area and, a dining hall with a stage and changing rooms.



We are pleased to say that work has started on the building. Foundations are now complete and the walls are being constructed. Completion is scheduled for March 2027.

This is the final building block in the construction of St Matia Mulumba Primary School. Since 2014, when EVC was founded, 6 more classrooms have been added on the main site, plus 2 dormitories and, a nursery department which can accommodate 120 pre-school children. There are classrooms for both academic studies and, for the teaching of vocational skills such as carpentry and tailoring, plus a fully equipped library and a computer room and rainwater harvesting facilities.

We look forward to the completion of the dining room and kitchen and will keep you updated as the building takes shape.

Coffee Initiative

To raise vital funds, St Matia Mulumba Primary School planted 800 coffee seedlings on a plot of land adjacent to the school, which they were able to purchase. The teachers and children carried out the initial planting and, are now carefully watering and tending the crop.

It is estimated that the coffee plants will begin to produce a harvest of coffee beans next year, 2026, and the school plans to sell these on the local market in Uganda. Below you can see photos of the coffee seedlings being planted and cared for.



August 2024 - initial planting



May 2025 -
watered and
matured



October 2025 - healthy
plants begin to flower

This is an enterprising initiative undertaken by the school and, if this pilot is successful, the school intends to save to buy more land so they can plant more seedlings.

It is planned that during 2026, we will promote this initiative in the UK, with activities, such as holding coffee mornings, gaining support from local coffee shops, encouraging UK schools to get involved with the project and, making donations during Lent for each cup of coffee consumed. If this is something you would like to support, we would love to hear from you.

Children Completing Education

As a result of the sponsorship they have received through EVC Uganda, nine children completed their education during 2025, with qualifications in IT, fashion and design, mechanical engineering, catering and hotel management and, welding and metal fabrication.



One of these students, Katongole Davis, completed a diploma in Computer Science.

He writes : 'I am deeply grateful for the sponsorship and guidance provided by EVC Uganda and all its supporters. Their relentless support enabled me to focus on my studies and acquire valuable IT skills, as well as fully experience campus life. I am now using these skills in my day to day life, through computer repair and maintenance, especially software related problems and general IT services.

I sincerely thank all EVC sponsors for believing in me and investing in my future. Your support has transformed my life and I remain forever grateful.'

Please pray for these students as they look for jobs in the workforce and, for Katongole Davis, as he saves from what he now earns, so that he can eventually open his own IT showroom.

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