

STTC Newsletter - JUNE 2026

Solidarity Teacher Training College, Yambio, South Sudan

NEW STAFF INDUCTION AND ORIENTATION PROGRAMME

Solidarity Teacher Training College (STTC) recently held a successful and engaging New Staff Induction and orientation programme aimed at welcoming new staff members into the college community and equipping them with the knowledge and tools needed for effective service. The programme began with an inspiring presentation by the principal, **Br. Francis**, who introduced participants to the history, mission, vision, values, and strategic direction of STTC. He highlighted the institution's commitment to excellence in teacher education and its important role in contributing to the development of South Sudan's education sector.



The second session was facilitated by **Br. Ismael Juma**, the Human Resource Officer, who guided participants through key human resource policies, professional expectations, staff development opportunities, and workplace culture. Following a health break, **Sr. Elizabeth**, the Administrator, led a practical session on administration, communication channels, safeguarding and child protection, staff welfare, and health and safety procedures. The discussions were interactive, with new staff actively engaging, asking questions, and sharing reflections on their new roles within the institution.



Sr. Jacinta Prunty from academic affairs presentation focussed on STTC's academic programmes, curriculum implementation, teaching and learning expectations, assessment procedures, and quality assurance standards. The entire orientation journey was both informative and inspiring, leaving participants with a deeper understanding of the college and a renewed commitment to its mission. The new staff expressed their appreciation for the valuable insights shared by the presenters and their enthusiasm to contribute positively to the continued growth and success of STTC.



PRESERVICE 2 SECOND TERM EXAMS

The Preservice Year 2 class undertook end-of-term examinations in 10 courses, their fifth round of formal examinations since their arrival. As English is the third or even fourth language for most students, writing a two-hour paper that demands evidence of higher-level understanding and classroom application is a daunting experience. We commend them for rising to the challenge, once more; all members of PS2 are safely through to their final term.



GANGURA TEACHER TRAINING BLOCK 2 ENHANCES TEACHING QUALITY AT ST. PETER PRIMARY SCHOOL

Nine teachers from St. Peter Primary School successfully completed **Block 2 of the Gangura Teacher Training Programme**, an initiative designed to strengthen teachers' professional capacity and improve the quality of education delivered at the school, which currently serves as the main functioning educational institution in the area. The two-week training programme was facilitated by Solidarity Teacher Training College in partnership with Caritas International as part of their shared commitment to promoting quality education through continuous professional development of teachers.

During the training, participants benefited from the expertise and guidance of two tutors from Solidarity Teacher Training College who facilitated both professional and subject-specific areas essential for effective teaching and learning. In **Week One (15th–20th June 2026)**, sessions were facilitated by Apiku Emmanuel. The training focused on **Behaviour and Classroom Management, School Practice, and selected areas of Social Studies**. Teachers explored practical strategies for creating positive learning environments, managing classroom behavior effectively, and improving instructional practices to enhance learner participation and achievement.

In **Week Two (22nd–27th June 2026)**, facilitation was led by Angelo Makur. His sessions covered **Lesson Observation and Feedback, Supporting the Learner, Mathematics, and Integrated Science**, equipping participants with learner-centered teaching approaches and strengthening their competence in key curriculum subjects. To monitor learning outcomes and ensure effective participation, assessments were administered in all professional and subject areas covered during the programme. These assessments enabled participants to demonstrate their understanding while identifying areas requiring further professional growth and support.

The successful completion of **Block 2** represents another important milestone in the ongoing effort to strengthen education services at Gangura area. Through the continued collaboration between Solidarity Teacher Training College and Caritas International, teachers are empowered with the knowledge, skills, and professional attitudes necessary to deliver quality education and positively influence the lives of learners in their communities.





LAUDATO SI

Solidarity Teacher Training College does not only equip students with knowledge, understanding, and essential teaching skills but also encourages them to actively contribute to environmental conservation. Through the college's Laudato Si Club, students participate in planting trees and flowers, helping to beautify and improve the college compound. These activities promote environmental stewardship, teamwork, and a sense of responsibility while reinforcing the college's commitment to holistic education that nurtures both academic excellence and sustainable community development.



ELECTION OF NEW STUDENT LEADERSHIP

On Tuesday, 23rd June 2026, the principal announced that there would be election of new Students representative council on the 30th of June 2026. According to the policy of STTC, the president of the students' representative council rotates between a male and female. This time around, the president would be a female student. On Friday June 26th 2026, the final list of candidates was published. Three (3) candidates had applied for the position of president of the Students Representative Council (SRC), together with their team members for: vice president, Culture and entertainment, pastoral, Laudato Si, Library, health and games and sports.

The candidates who applied included Nyanthiey Reath (PS1 A), Agnes Asuwini (PS1 A) and Ivonne Salome (PS1 A). On 30th June 2026, the elections were conducted. All tutors attended. In his opening remarks, the principal of the college called upon the students to rise above ethnic considerations and look at the qualities in the candidates they vote for. Of the three candidates, Nyanthiey Reath won the election by 50 votes, while Agnes garnered 39 votes and Ivonne 18 votes. There were 18 invalid votes.

The new student leaders of STTC are: Nyanthiey Reath (President), Danford Ofega (Vice president), Rejoice Andrea (Pastoral), Waran Manash (Entertainment/culture), Koang Duop (Laudato Si), Chakalu Susan (Health), Ajuong Kueth (Games and Sports) and Grace Nako (Librarian). Their predecessors will journey with them for one month before they formally take over leadership on the 1st of August.



TOP GENERAL STORIES:



Morning Assembly



Sr. Elizabeth, Sr. Sherly & Sr. Jacinta standing by the repainted foundation stone.



STTC Advisory Board meeting at Riimenze



David and Victor at work