



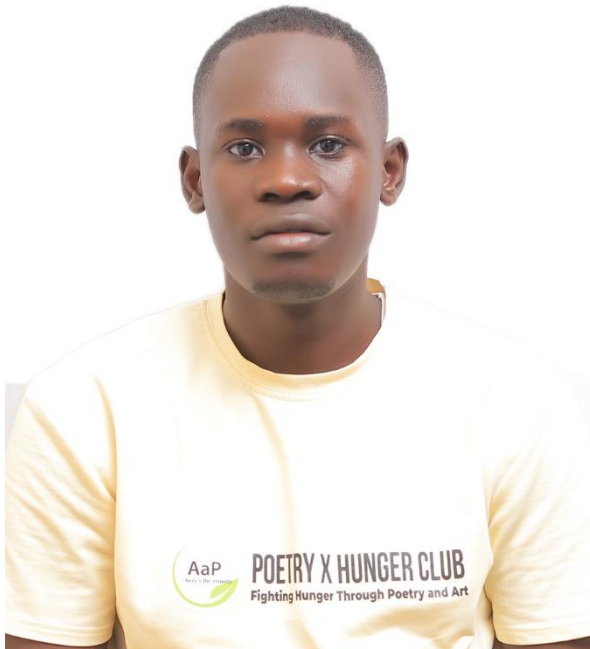
WELCOME TO OUR NEWS LETTER

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Dear Readers,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to this very first edition of our Newsletter, Q3 of 2026.

A period of meaningful learning, growth, and engagement across our programs. We were very excited to welcome new team members, and also privileged to welcome a team from VVOB Uganda, and Field of Hope. We visited Kikazi Agri-Product Company Limited, creating valuable opportunities for learning, and collaboration.



We conducted career talks for students, helping them explore opportunities in agriculture. Our team further participated in capacity-building and professional training sessions to strengthen our

ability to deliver impactful programs efficiently. Through our work with schools, and partners, we continue to make agriculture more fun, exciting, and inspiring for young people by integrating poetry, storytelling, arts, and practical agribusiness, encouraging them to see it as a field full of opportunities, creativity, innovation and livelihood.

We are currently fundraising through the GlobalGiving to support our Poetry X Hunger Clubs across 14 schools to advance students' World of Work (WoW) skills through practical school-based agribusiness and Agri-innovation projects. Equipping young people for income generation, job creation, and greater food security.

As you explore this edition, we invite you to journey with us through the highlights and achievements that shaped this quarter.

Happy reading!

Arionzi Clinton
Team Leader



Q3 AT A GLANCE

The third quarter of 2026 was a period of learning, growth, partnerships, and meaningful engagement for AaP Agri-food Initiative.

Career Talks

Through our career talks, we encouraged students to explore the many opportunities within agriculture, including agribusiness, food processing, agri-tech, innovation, and agricultural sciences.

10 Schools Reached | 800+ Students Engaged | 20+ Career Paths Explored

Team Capacity Building

We also continued investing in our team through capacity-building and professional training in proposal writing, project management, communications, fundraising, reporting donor funded projects, and Google suit.

The Visits

During the quarter, we were honoured to host a team from Field of Hope and Mr. Thomas Watmon from VVOB Uganda. We as well visited the inspirational Kikazi agriproduct company limited.

GlobalGiving Approved Our Due Diligence

We are currently rising funds to support our 14 Poetry X Hunger Clubs through GlobalGiving to equip young people with practical agribusiness and innovation skills for income generation, job creation, and greater food security.



OPENING YOUNG MINDS TO AGRI-CAREERS

Agriculture is often seen by students as a fall back rather than a first choice. Our career talks set out to change that narrative, showing students that the sector offers real, modern, and rewarding career paths. Sessions covered careers in agribusiness, food processing, agri-tech and innovation, environmental sustainability, and agricultural economics

Our facilitators used real success stories, interactive Q&A, and hands-on examples from AaP's own field programs to make the sessions engaging and relatable, encouraging students to see agriculture as a field of innovation rather than just tradition.

Question and Answer Highlights

Students asked about job stability, starting salaries and self-employment in the sector. The speaker emphasised that agri-business is a growing, resilient field with diverse entry points regardless of students, or individual specific interest.



Career talk session at St. Matia Mulumba secondary school, Kyanja.

WHAT STUDENTS TOOK AWAY

Feedback from students was overwhelmingly positive. Many said they had never considered agriculture as a career path before, while others were surprised to learn how many different professions — from research to marketing to logistics — connect back to the food and farming sector.

"I always thought farming was just planting and harvesting. Now I know there's a whole world of careers behind our food." Komusingye Rita— Student Participant

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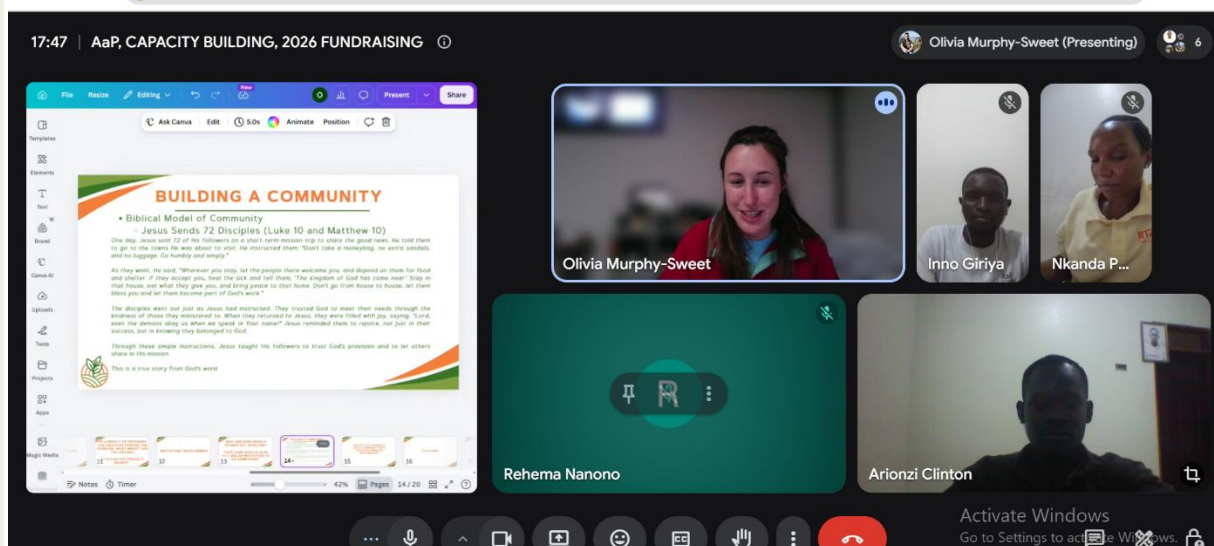
Career Paths Explored

WHY THIS MATTERS

Career talk is a powerful tool for shaping the future of agriculture. By reaching students early, AaP hopes to inspire a new generation of agri-Entrepreneurs, scientists, and innovators who will carry the sector forward. These talks also strengthen our school partnerships, opening the door for continued mentorship and future project collaborations.

"Every student who leaves one of these talks curious about agriculture, is a seed we've planted for the future of food security." – Arionzi Clinton

TEAM TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING



Virtual session of the third team training

This quarter, our team continued to invest in learning, professional growth, and strengthening our capacity to deliver meaningful impact. We were privileged to receive

training and mentorship from several experienced leaders and international professionals who generously shared their knowledge, expertise, and practical experiences with our team.

The capacity-building sessions covered several important areas, including proposal writing for donor-funded projects, project planning and management, communications, and public relations, strategic social media engagement, marketing, graphics designing, fundraising, and organizational development.

These sessions provided our team with valuable opportunities to learn from professionals with diverse experiences and perspectives, while strengthening the skills needed to build a more effective, sustainable, and impactful organization. We are grateful to all the leaders, mentors, and professionals who dedicated their time to supporting our growth.

As we continue to grow, we remain committed to investing in our people, because we believe that a strong, skilled, and well-equipped team is essential to achieving our mission of empowering young people in food and agribusiness through agricultural education.

FIELD OF HOPE COURTESY VISIT



Field of Hope Team Posing for a picture with the AaP Team

On 21st July 2026, we had a heartfelt gathering with Field of Hope, and later school visits where young voices took centre stage in storytelling, poetry and exhibiting their agricultural projects.

The visit strengthened our joint commitment to integrating storytelling, poetry, art, and creative expression in teaching and learning of Agriculture, while enhancing learner or youth interest in agriculture.

Together we visited two of our field sites, the Poetry X Hunger Club of Eden High School and the Youth Agricultural Leadership Club of Namasumbi Secondary School where guests experienced the impacts of our work first-hand. engaged with students, school administrators and experienced the impacts of our work first-hand.

VISIT FROM THOMAS WATMON OF VVOB UGANDA

We were delighted to welcome Thomas Watmon from VVOB Uganda to AaP Agri-food Initiative for a meaningful engagement and field visit with our team, partner schools, and young people.

The visit provided us with an important opportunity to share more about our programs and the work we are doing to empower schools in enabling students access integrated programs to enable them succeed in food and agribusiness for income generation and food security.

Together, we engaged with school leaders and discussed the progress and impact of the program on students, schools, and the wider community. These conversations highlighted the important role that schools can play in nurturing young people's interests, creativity, knowledge, and engagement in agriculture and food systems for job creation and food security.

The visit also extended to our Youth in Agribusiness program, where Thomas had the opportunity to interact with young agri-entrepreneurs and learn about some of the promising agribusiness ventures being developed by young people. Through these initiatives, participants are gaining practical experience, building entrepreneurial skills, and exploring agriculture as a pathway towards employment, dignified livelihoods, and income generation.

We are grateful to Thomas Watmon and VVOB Uganda for taking the time to visit and engage with our work. The insightful discussions and interactions during the visit were an encouragement to our team and the young people we serve.

At AaP Agri-food Initiative, we remain committed to empowering young people through agricultural education, equipping them with practical skills knowledge, and opportunities to succeed in food and agribusiness.





Thomas Watmon interacting with youth agribusiness group leader alongside the AaP program officer

LOOKING AHEAD

As we look ahead, we are excited about the opportunities that lie before us. The experiences, partnerships, learning, and progress made during this quarter continue to strengthen our commitment to empowering young people.

In the coming months, we will continue strengthening our programs in schools and communities, supporting young people to explore opportunities in agribusiness, and expanding the impact of our Poetry X Hunger Clubs, School meals and Youth in Agribusiness. We also look forward to strengthening partnerships, building the capacity of our team, and creating new opportunities for learning, innovation, and collaboration.

Our journey is driven by the belief that young people have an important role to play in building sustainable food systems and transforming the future of agriculture. By equipping them with relevant knowledge, practical skills, creativity, and opportunities, we can help them turn their ideas and potential into meaningful solutions for their communities.

As we move forward, we remain grateful to our partners, schools, supporters, mentors, and the young people who continue to walk this journey with us. Together, we look forward to achieving even more and creating lasting impact.

The journey continues, and we are excited about what lies ahead.

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