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WAKISO. The Katikiro (premier) of Buganda, Mr Charles Peter Mayiga, has urged students and leaders of King's College Budo to preserve the school's rich heritage and uphold excellence. This was during the commissioning of the Sekabaka Daudi Chwa II Academic Block.

"I am happy to return to King's College Budo. I was here in August 2024 for the opening of Australia House, where I appealed to the leadership to consider constructing a building in remembrance of Sekabaka Daudi Chwa II. I am deeply honoured that they acted upon my call," he said.

Mr Mayiga said commissioning the facility shows that the college values its legacy, describing legacy as the mark individuals and institutions leave behind for future generations.

He emphasised Buganda Kingdom's long-standing commitment to education, noting that the kingdom has historically provided land for the establishment of several prestigious schools and institutions. That includes second-

Mayiga urges Budo students to guard legacy



Buganda Katikiro, Charles Peter Mayiga (3rd left) joined by the Archbishop of Church of Uganda, Stephen Kaziimba Mugalu (2nd right), Mr John Fred Kazibwe, the Kings College Buddo head teacher, clergy members and Mengo officials cut cake during the commissioning of the Chwa classroom block at Buddo. PHOTO/MICHAEL KAKUMIRIZI

ary schools, nursing training centres, tertiary institutions and a chartered university.

"Education remains one of the most important investments any society can make for its future," he said, commending the school's improving infrastructure and learning environment, which he said play a critical role in shaping students' aspirations and mindset.

The head teacher of King's College Buddo, Mr John Fred Kazibwe, said the institution has focused on achieving financial sustainability while maintaining strong academic performance.

"There is nothing as fulfilling as seeing young people grow into responsible citizens," he said.

Mr Kazibwe explained that since assuming leadership, the school administration has expanded facilities and increased student enrolment, from 1,730 to 2,600 to strengthen its financial base. That has enabled it to finance development projects internally.

Among recent developments are new dormitories, expanded classroom facilities and improved sanitation infrastructure, which he said have enhanced student welfare without compromising academic standards.

Mr Kazibwe attributed the progress to collaboration among stakeholders, including government, the Buganda Kingdom, the Church, the Board of Governors, the Parents Teachers Association, and both teaching and non-teaching staff.

The Archbishop of the Church of Uganda, Rev Stephen Samuel Kazimba Mugalu, emphasised gratitude and unity as essential pillars in building lasting legacy. Drawing from the New Testament, Archbishop Kazimba urged students and staff to remember and appreciate those who support them, rather than those who hurt them, as is the norm among many.

The newly commissioned multi-billion shilling Sekabaka Daudi building houses 38 e-learning classrooms aimed at enhancing digital learning and expanding academic opportunities at the historic institution.