



**The School
of St Jude**

Fighting poverty
through education

2026 Form 6 Graduation visitor itinerary

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Saturday 16 May 2026 – Sunday 24 May 2026





Day 1

Saturday 16 May



Arrive at St Jude's Sisia Campus in Moshono

[Assembly point: Visitors Centre]

Signing Visitor Registration Forms and going through St Jude's Personal Communication Policy and Child Protection Code of Conduct.

Introduction

[Assembly point: Visitors Centre]

Introduction to The School of St Jude

Gain an insight on what we do at St Jude's, our mission and work in general. After a brief introduction, you will watch six orientation videos and then be shown to your rooms.

Relax, unpack, and maybe have a drink at the Waterhole

[Own arrangements]

The Waterhole is a local bar just outside of the school gate.

Dinner and overnight at St Jude's

[Assembly point: outside dining area]

Dinner at the outdoor dining area, outside of your accommodation.





Day 2

Sunday 17 May



9:00am

Late breakfast

[Assembly point: Outdoor dining area]

Breakfast will be served outdoors in the garden area of the Guest House/Red Building.

10:00am

Housekeeping

[Assembly point: Visitors Centre]

After breakfast, we will gather at the Visitors Centre to take care of some essentials such as currency exchange and SIM card purchase before we proceed with the day's schedule.

Currency exchange (USD to TZS)

A member of the Visitor team will assist visitors in exchanging the equivalent of US\$50 to Tanzanian shillings if needed. Please do not bring small currency notes. US\$50 and US\$100 notes not older than 2010 are preferred.

Phone/SIM card registration

An agent from a local phone company will be on hand to assist you with a local SIM card at a cost (not more than US\$2, to be paid in TZS) and can also add data and phone credits to your SIM.

Receiving of donations

If you have any donation(s) of resources, books, or equipment from the school's [wishlist](#), our Donor Relations staff will be there to receive your donations and register them.

11:30am

10-minute personal time

A few minutes to prepare for your first tour stop: the Arusha Coffee Lodge.

11:40am

Depart for a coffee farm tour and lunch

[Assembly point: Parking area by the Visitors Centre]

Make your way into Arusha town and see some iconic landmarks as you head to Arusha Coffee Lodge (ACL) for a coffee farm tour and delicious lunch.

12:10pm

Arrival at Arusha Coffee Lodge

12:15pm

Coffee farm tour

[The price for the tour and lunch is included in the graduation week package]

Embark on a guided tour of a coffee farm, learn about coffee berry picking and pulping, organic coffee farming, fair-trade standards, coffee processing from beans to cup, and some coffee tasting at the farm, of course!

1:15pm

Lunch at Arusha Coffee Lodge

After the tour, walk down to the garden of Wild Tracks and enjoy a leisurely lunch at Arusha Coffee Lodge.

3:00pm

Depart from Arusha Coffee Lodge

3:15pm

Stop at Shoppers Supermarket

A short stop at Shoppers Supermarket to allow shopping for some necessities, if needed.

3:45pm

Return to Sisia Campus

4:15pm

Rest and own arrangements

5:00pm

Optional church service at the Moshono Catholic Church

The Moshono Catholic Church started holding an English service in 2021 for people in the area who prefer to hear Mass in English.

7:00pm

Dinner and overnight at St Jude's

[Assembly point: Outside dining area]

Dinner at the outdoor dining area of the Rotary Kitchen/Red Building.

7:40pm

Itinerary briefing for Day 3

Your host will brief you about what's in store for Day 3.



Day 3

Monday 18 May



7:30am

Breakfast at St Jude's

[Assembly point: Outdoor dining area]

Breakfast will be served outside at the outdoor dining area of the Rotary Kitchen/Red Building.

8:30am

Tour of St Jude's Primary School

[Assembly point: Visitors Centre]

A member of the Visitor team will take you around the primary school, which is located inside the Sisia Campus, and share the school's history. This is a great chance to see the school in action.

10:30am

Tea break

Enjoy a tea break with primary students at the school's dining hall.

10:50am

Art and music classes with students (80 minutes)

[For the first 40 minutes, half of the group will go to an art class and the other half to a music class. They will then swap classes from 11:30am for the remaining 40 minutes]

Art class

Art is one of the extracurricular activities that makes St Jude's unique from other schools in Arusha. Witness the work of our talented and creative students by participating in a primary school art class.

Music class

Tanzania has around 120 tribes, each characterised by a unique culture. Our music lessons mostly focus on African drumming and dances. See our enthusiastic students performing diverse African cultural songs.

12:10pm

Physical Education (PE) class with the students

[Everybody will participate]

Join in a PE class with primary students.

12:50pm

10-minute personal time

A quick break to refresh before you head for lunch.

1:00pm

Lunch with primary students

[Assembly point: Primary dining hall]

We welcome you to have lunch with some staff and students. This is an excellent way of sampling traditional Tanzanian food, such as ugali (maize porridge) and beans, or rice with vegetables.

1:40pm

Rest and own arrangements

2:30pm

Interactive games with the primary students

Soak up some fun and laughs in a friendly competition with primary students. Challenge yourself by matching items in a game of Spot It, racing to play the last card in UNO, or testing your knowledge with a quiz about how well you know St Jude's. These activities are sure to create lasting memories.

3:30pm

Home visit or bus ride

The Experience and Programs Senior Manager will communicate with you about when your home visit will be scheduled. Depending on your schedule, you will do one of the below activities during this time:

Home visit

If you sponsor the scholarship of a graduating student, a staff member will accompany you and the student to their home. You will be introduced to their family and experience wonderful Tanzanian hospitality. Your curiosity about their life will be equal to their curiosity about yours, so be prepared to ask and answer lots of questions!

Please note: This opportunity is also available for non-sponsors. A visit to a student's home offers unique insight into the impact St Jude's is having on the lives of our students and their families.

Bus ride with students and staff

Hop on one of our school buses to enjoy a ride with the students as they get dropped home. It's a round-trip ride from the school that allows you to see where some of our students live, sing with them, and learn what they've been up to at school that day.

6:30pm

Welcome dinner

[Assembly point: Garden in front of Head Office]

Informal BBQ at Sisia Campus for all visitors.



Day 4

Tuesday 19 May



7:30am

Breakfast at St Jude's

8:30am

Q&A with Gemma

[Assembly point: Visitors Centre]

An opportunity to spend time with our Founder, Gemma Sisia, to learn more about her motivation and future plans for The School of St Jude.

10:30am

30 minutes break

11:00am

Meet the Marketing team

[Assembly point: Visitors Centre]

Meet with our Marketing team and discuss how you can help us continue to spread the word about St Jude's. You can share your experiences and most memorable moments of your trip so far, and the team can help you with ideas on sharing your story with local media when you return home.

11:30am

15-minute break

11:45am

Swahili and cultural lesson

During the session, you'll get a chance to interact and learn from our Community Service Year (CSY) volunteers and staff, all while having fun! Our CSY volunteers will take on the role of your teacher and there's no doubt you'll be entertained as you try to twist your tongue around basic Kiswahili before learning some Tanzanian cultural facts.

12:50pm

Lunch with St Jude's Girls' Secondary students

[Assembly point: Girls' Secondary School Dining Hall]

We welcome you to have lunch with some St Jude's Girls' Secondary School staff and students. Enjoy a conversation with the girls and staff you share the table with as you sample traditional Tanzanian food, such as ugali (maize stiff porridge) and beans or rice with vegetables.

1:40pm

Graduation visitors meet-and-greet

St Jude's is a success story because all the stakeholders work together for a common goal. During this session, enjoy having a drink and some snacks while you get to know your fellow visitors and the management team of The School of St Jude.

3:40pm

Home visit / Girls' Secondary School assembly / Bus ride

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Girls' Secondary School assembly

Experience a weekly assembly where you will share the excitement of students receiving awards for outstanding behaviour and achievements.

It is an afternoon of fun and enjoyment as various classes entertain the audience with dancing and singing.

Enjoy a bus ride home with students and staff

Hop on one of our school buses to enjoy a ride with the students as they get dropped home. It's a round-trip ride from the school that allows you to see where some of our students live, sing songs, and learn what they've been up to at school that day.

6:00pm

Depart for dinner at Khan's

6:30pm

Dinner at Khan's (chicken on a bonnet)

An auto spare parts store by day and a popular barbeque joint by night, Khan's is a popular and unique eating place at Arusha that is like nothing you will find at home. They serve a wide variety of skewered meat-chicken, beef, and lamb-grilled and cooked in front of you. Salads, naan bread, different sauces, and the unique Zanzibar pizza (nothing like a real pizza!) are also part of the menu.



Day 5

Wednesday 20 May



7:30am

Breakfast at St Jude's

8:30am

Meet with Sponsor Relations team

Meet with the Sponsor Relations team and get to know the people who send updates to sponsors about the students whose academic scholarships they support.

9:15am

Depart for Maasai Boma visit

10:15am

Visit to a Maasai Boma and meeting a Maasai Choir

Maasai boma visit

Visit a traditional Maasai boma or village. Meet members of this ancient tribe who still live with their traditional culture in today's modern world. Lunch boxes are provided.

Maasai choir

Meet a local Maasai choir to enjoy their singing and gain insights into the traditions and culture of the Maasai people.

11:30am

Depart from the Maasai Boma for Goat Street

Goat Street is a popular spot in Arusha where you can get an authentic experience of local cuisine such as nyama choma (fresh barbecued goat), and an opportunity to interact with the locals.

12:45pm

Arrive at Sisia Campus

Arrive at Sisia Campus and have a 45-minute rest.

2:00pm

Depart for St Jude's

3:30pm

Home visit or resting time

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Rest and own arrangements

For everyone who won't be going for a home visit, you will have 1 hour and 45 minutes to rest or venture out on your own arrangements.

5:15pm

Cooking lesson

Learn to cook traditional Tanzanian food with the guidance of some of our CSY volunteers, and afterward, enjoy the dishes you made.

7:00pm

Dinner at St Jude's

[Assembly point: Outside dining area]

7:40pm

Itinerary briefing for Day 6





Day 6

Thursday 21 May



7:30am

Breakfast at St Jude's

8:30am

Depart for Smith Campus

9:20am

Tour of Smith Campus

Smith Campus is located at Usa River and is home to St Jude's Secondary School. It houses our all-boys Ordinary Level secondary school (Forms 1 to 4; first four years of secondary education) and our co-educational Advanced Level (Forms 5 and 6; the final two years of secondary). You will get to meet some of our older students, who will tell you about their dreams and aspirations for the future. You'll be amazed by the artistic talents of these students when you visit their art room and music class.

10:15am

The Big Picture activity

It's a stroke of genius, and you will create a painting! Divided into teams, you will all share the goal of creating an artistic masterpiece. Each group will be responsible for painting a small segment of The Picture. Having no idea what the final image will be, you'll work together with students to ensure that lines meet and colours match. Upon completion, the canvases will be collected, pieced together, and framed, ready for the big reveal!

12:15pm

Farm project visit

The farm project supports our goal of sustainability by reducing food costs and providing our students with a regular supply of fresh vegetables. The school aims to grow a wide variety of fruits and vegetables. The farm covers 12 acres of Smith Campus and has been fully funded by incredibly generous donors. We have two greenhouses, a teaching area, and a water pump that enables us to use drip irrigation to water crops. Students work on the farm on Saturdays and have classes to teach them about modern agricultural methods.

1:20pm

Lunch with Form 6 graduating students

2:00pm

Q&A with graduating students

[Assembly point: Smith Campus Sports Hall]

It is your turn to be quizzed by our graduates about your professional life so they can gain insight into your careers, work experience, and life advice after school.

2:45pm

Short break

15-minutes short break

3:00pm

Home visit or return to Sisia Campus

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Return to Sisia Campus

6:00pm

Dinner with your sponsored students at Sisia Campus

[The price for food and soft drinks is included in the graduation week package]

The students you sponsor will join you for a special meal at Sisia Campus.





Day 7

Friday 22 May



7:30am Breakfast at St Jude's

8:30am Learn about the Beyond St Jude's Scholarship Program (BSJSP)

An opportunity to hear more about the plans for students after Form 6, including our Beyond St Jude's Scholarship Program from the BSJSP team.

9:30am Short break

15-minutes short break

9:45am Government school visit

After Form 6 at St Jude's, graduates can participate in the Beyond St Jude's Scholarship Program, including a Community Service Year (CSY), during which they share their gift of free education from St Jude's by voluntarily teaching in local government schools in their local communities.

While visiting one of these government schools and observing our graduates teach, you will witness first-hand the impact of a St Jude's education. An impressive abundance of knowledge is passed on through their desire to give back to the community. Watch our CSY volunteers teach chemistry, physics, biology, mathematics, and commerce classes. Get ready to be amazed and learn!

12:00pm Lunch at St Jude's

[Assembly point: Outdoor dining area of the Rotary Kitchen / Red Building]

Lunch at the outdoor dining area of the Rotary Kitchen/ Red Building.



12:50pm Town tour

Today, you will get to see and experience more of Arusha.

Explore Arusha

You will have a short, guided tour of the town centre. Walk through a few landmarks like the Arusha Clock Tower. Serving as a meeting place and community timekeeper, the Clock Tower is believed to be exactly halfway between Cairo and Cape Town! Buy coffee and a little snack before you head to the local markets.

Visit local markets.

A few kilometres from the Arusha Clock Tower is the Maasai Market, where you can see (or shop!) various Maasai trinkets and crafts. You will also visit Soko Kuu Arusha or the Arusha Central Market. This is a truly African experience where you can interact with some locals and view various stalls selling locally grown fruits and vegetables, spices, nuts, coffee, fish, meat, colourful local fabrics, and just about anything else you can think of!

3:50pm Primary school assembly

Experience a weekly assembly where you will share the excitement of students receiving awards for outstanding behaviour and achievements. It's an afternoon of fun and enjoyment as various classes entertain the audience with dancing and singing.

5:05pm Village walk

[Village walk/Tour of Moivaro Boarding Campus]

Guided by a group of secondary students, you will take a short stroll around Moshono village to see the community surrounding St Jude's. Arriving at Moivaro Boarding Campus, the students will warmly welcome you into their boarding rooms and show you around their home away from home.

7:00pm Graduation briefing

[Assembly point: Visitors Centre]

Form 6 graduation briefing by the school Founder.

7:30pm Dinner at St Jude's

[Assembly point: Outside dining area]



Day 8

Saturday 23 May



6:30am	Breakfast at St Jude's
8:00am	Depart for Smith Campus
9:00am	Form 6 Graduation Ceremony <i>(Please be aware that this is a formal occasion, so attire should be at least smart casual)</i> Form 6 Graduation Ceremony Join all the parents, secondary students, staff, and special guests to celebrate the graduation of St Jude's Form 6 students. We know you will feel proud about supporting St Jude's as you witness and share on this special day. The Big Picture unveiling During the ceremony, the final image you created with the graduating students on Day 6 will be revealed.
1:00pm	Special lunch with students Celebratory lunch with the graduating class, their parents, and all attendees.
2:00pm	Graduation gift giving by sponsors
2:30pm	Home visit or return to Sisia Campus <i>The Experience and Community Programs Senior Manager will communicate with you about when your home visit will be scheduled. Depending on your schedule, you will do one of the below activities during this time:</i> Home visit (for delayed arrivals) If you sponsor the scholarship of a graduating student, a staff member will accompany you and the student to their home. You will be introduced to their family and experience wonderful Tanzanian hospitality. Your curiosity about their life will be equal to their curiosity about yours, so be prepared to ask and answer lots of questions! Please note: This opportunity is also available for non-sponsors. A visit to a student's home offers a unique insight into how St Jude's impacts the lives of our students and their families. Return to Sisia Campus

4:00pm	Safari briefing Safari briefing for those who are going on safari!
6:00pm	Final group dinner The last group dinner at school where a Marketing team member will join you. You can share your experiences and most memorable moments of this trip and discuss with them how you can help us spread the word when you return home so we can continue fighting poverty through education together.





Day 9

Sunday 24 May

6:30am

Breakfast at St Jude's

7:00am

Church service (optional)

Attend an English service at the Moshono Catholic Church

8:00am

Safari

Depart for safari for those who are going.

12:00pm

Lunch

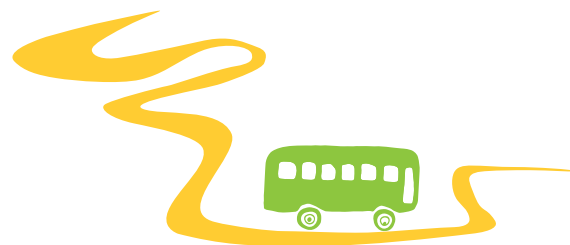
[At own expense]

Visit a local restaurant for lunch.

7:00pm

Dinner

Dinner and overnight at St Jude's for remaining visitors.





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Thank you for visiting St Jude's

Price Structure - 2026 Graduation

Our Form 6 graduation itinerary is priced at US\$593 per person. However, our current sponsors and donors can stay for free at St Jude's for seven nights, which means the price is US\$393 per person for those supporters.

The package includes:

- Accommodation and meals as mentioned in the itinerary
- Excursions outside the school [Coffee farm tour, Maasai market, and Boma visit]
- Transportation around Arusha

Some optional extras are also available:

- Transport to and from the airport – US\$50 each way per trip
- Home visit gift pack for a student and their family – US\$32 /with optional solar light at US\$16

Student gift pack

- The price depends on the choice of gift pack

Safari enquiries

- If you are interested in adding extra activities onto your trip such as a safari or a trip to Zanzibar, please email us through visitor@schoolofstjude.co.tz.



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