

Lightning kills three pupils, Uganda

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Three children, all from one family, were yesterday struck dead by lightning during a lunch time downpour, as they left school for their home. Seven other pupils of Luwombo Primary School in Kasubi Sub-county, Buikwe District, who were struck by the lightning, were taken to Kawolo Hospital where they received treatment before being discharged.

Lightning strikes According to the head teacher, Mr James Gaago, the children were going home at 1pm when it started to rain, forcing them to seek for shelter under a tree. "It was from here that their colleagues who had stayed behind to wait for the rain to cease, found them lying dead," Mr Gaago said.

Buikwe District police chief Caroline Akoth identified the dead as Allan Kazibwe, 4, Felista Nakibudde, 6, and Angelo Nsubuga, 8. An aunt of the dead children, Ms Betty Namanda, said their father died in a motorcycle accident near Lugazi Town last month.