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The UNGA-na Campaign, Masidza Galavu (F2)



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Strathmore This Week:

Monday 17th March	Tuesday 18th March	Wednesday 19th March	Thursday 20th March	Friday 21st March	Saturday 22nd March
		Bandits vs. Dagoretti Rugby Playoffs		GOOD FRIDAY	

The Sharks, Steve Cauri (F3)

The "AA" NASA age group swimming championship kicked off on the 16-17th of February at the Aga Khan High School, Nairobi.

The Sharks were represented by eight by eight swimmers from both the primary and secondary school sections, namely; **Gachu Michael (S8)**, **Gichuhi Christopher (S6)**, **Muigai Emmanuel (S4)**, **Githiga Collins (S4)**, **Kibugu Ayub (F4)**, **Murugu Kiambuthi (S5)**, **Olang' Abraham (S5)** and **Oyugi Lee (S7)**.

The gala was based on "AAA" Championship standards which is in preparation for the "AAA" Championship meet to be held on the 23rd and 24th of February 2008. Swimmers who attain a set qualification time in their various heat events were promoted to this revered "AAA" swimming status which to lay men like myself and maybe you too, is more like...getting an average of 90% in Cat 6. This is not to say that none of our valiant sharks has been unable to reach this pinnacle of swimming success; in fact, you'll flabbergasted by their numbers. The swimmers who improved their times were: **Christopher Gichuhi**, and **Michael Gachu**, and are some of the few who met stringent qualification requirements for the South Africa Gala to be held later on in the year.

Due to their education commitments though, **Christopher Gichuhi (S6)**, **George Kariuki (F1)** and **Michael Gachu (S8)** will not participate in South Africa. Upon being interviewed, Mr. Ronald the swimming coach had this to say, "The school is looking forward to more swimmers to improve on their swimming skills and those that are dormant sleeping giants to become active swimmers."

Borehole, Aloysius Maina (F3)

One of the four expert reinforced concrete. This particular characteristic was expensive, costing about **KShs. 1.5m**.

The School has undertaken continuous use of the bore hole supply, together with the main supply. This will ensure a constant supply of H₂O.

As a final word, we might add that as part of the bore hole project, 2 new water fountains will be built for in the secondary block to ease congestion on the one currently in use.

Volleyball, A. Maina (F3)

Anyone who has visited the sports fields on Tuesdays and Thursdays might have noticed the dust rising from the volleyball courts.

Yes, the sport that has for long been dormant has been resurrected and is in fact going all the way to the ISL league this year. A quick interview with the volleyball coach and patron **Mr. Simon Kinyua** revealed that the team which is yet to acquire a name is currently captained by **Bliss Kiio (F3)**.

A spot check also revealed that there are only form 3 players on the training list. On behalf of the team, we would like to appeal to more students who believe that this game that has earned our country international acclaim is their strong hold to show up for training on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

George Muhuhu (F1&), Masidza Galavu (F2)

Many students who join the Strathmore School in form 1 rarely get called up to join any of the School's teams but not George Muhuhu who is almost assured of a place in the Sharks squad (provided he attends the training sessions). Below is an interview the Times had with this young swimmer who's at home in the water unlike the rest of us.

1. *Which primary school did you come from?* Makini School
2. *Just how far have you taken your swimming?* I am a member of the Kenya Swimming Team which is as high as you can get locally.
3. *How many competitions have you taken part in and which one earned you 3rd place in Africa?* About 200. The one which earned me 3rd place in Africa is Triathlon African Championships in Mauritius and is my most memorable.
4. *Currently how many medals do you have and how many are you intending to have in the next 4 years?* I have 280 as we speak although I intend to increase it by 100 in the next 4 years.
6. *Being an International swimmer, how many countries have you been to? Which one did you enjoy your stay the most?* I have been to Zambia and Mauritius and I am soon going to South Africa. I enjoyed Mauritius the most.
7. *What do you have to say to those who want to excel in swimming and studies?* Train hard, eat well and have faith.
8. *During your stay here what has intrigued you the most?* The system we use at the dining hall plus the excellent cuisine served! The fact that the School has neckties as Makini did not and the teachers here are lively.

Next week:

- One on One with Mr. Munuve by Masidza Galavu (F2)
- Stalwarts Unstalled; victory of our cricket team in their 1st match plus an interview with the coach.
- Pirates Season: basketball season has ended, what do the think about the season.
- Bandits vs. Dagoretti Playoffs: exclusive match analysis.
- Musically Speaking: Abundant musical talent exposed thanks to Trinit Music classes



Fr. Njugi, Masidza Galavu (F2)

Yes, the Strathmore Chaplaincy recently got a new priest to replace Fr. Joseph who is now the Chaplain of Kianda School. Below is an interview the Times had with Father Njugi.

1. *How long have you been a priest?* 9 months
 2. *Your uncle has been teaching at the School for some time now. Did you at one point also want to be a teacher?* Yes, it had been a lifetime interest. First I was an accountant and then I realised that I wanted to do human resource and that was when my interest in priesthood came about.
 3. *Is Strathmore School the first you are working as a priest?* Yes
 4. *Which missionary community do you work with?* None. I am a secular priest incardinated in Opus Dei.
 5. *Tell us more about being a priest especially at your age?* What does it take to be one? It is fascinating. I feel that it is the right time to be a priest.
 6. *What does it take to be a priest?* A lot of humility because one is an instrument. You need to be very understanding and patient. You also need to remember all that you do comes from God.
 7. *What would you say to those who want to pursue priesthood in future?* They should be very responsible and serious in their studies. To enhance their spiritual life. They will always be useful.
 8. *During your stay here in Strath what has intrigued you the most?* The atmosphere of confidence between students and teachers.
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Wasp(s) Terrorize(s):

Strathmore Times Correspondent

In this tale, drama unfolded in comical fashion as a wasp made 3& its home and ensured that a poor Mr. Dimba had to endure ecstatic/horrified (you decide) students as the animal(s) roamed the class, seemingly looking for a juicy student to attack. As told by an eye-witness who would wish to remain anonymous for safety purposes: "The damn animals kept hovering near my head, flashing their stings in a threatening matter. Can't a boy learn Physics in peace anymore! Naomba serikali na class council watusaidie hii mambo." Folk tale has it that Bryan Waweru is a lucky man since he was out of class and they seemed to be hovering curiously around his desk.

But this is not where this silly tale ends: During Mr. Dimba's Alternate lesson in the more 'distractable' 3A, one of the "swarm" of wasps entered via a rear window. Having been forewarned by their neighbours upstairs, the resourceful students made the most of it and ducked under their desks even if the creature was hovering

next to the light bulbs. After flying low and scaring the few who were still paying attention to the ongoing physics lesson, the wasp eventually flew out. Mr. Dimba must have felt like he had received his fair share of disturbances when the animal had a brief stint later on in his lesson. The former H.o.S. could not be reached for comment.

Further rumours that this diabolical pair of insects was roaming the secondary block are unconfirmed but could be well true. Keep watch for any of these and more.



TABLOID EDITION SEEN & HEARD AROUND 'EM WALLS

Alice's Whiffs: Heavenly or Horrid??

We all know it: That tantalizing aroma that comes out of the Arboretum section of the school at certain times of the day. To be exact, the Strath Media™ tabloid investigation team carried out a study to find the average of the times in which the gaseous particles start to make their mark. Generally, in the morning, pre-break time preparation scents usually begin at 9.10 a.m. for those in 3& and 9.20 a.m. for those in 1&; these reach their peak at 9.35 a.m. in 3& and onwards for the other classes. The peak time is so bad that it is rumored the 3& students usually close their windows for fear of getting hooked onto the scent of their next meal. Said one interviewed member of an affected class, "This is madness!! I cannot concentrate from 9.20 because of the aromas... those gaseous particles increase my hunger threefold." The clever boy proceeded to add, "Even if I eat a heavier breakfast, at that time, I feel like Pepsinogen is being activated by the smell, which then eats my stomach walls... enyewe wapi gava, si ni time yetu?"

This is not where this "janga la kuumiza" ends. After braving through the first episode before break, at around midday, the canteen is at it again. This time, it is much worse for those whom have to endure a lesson after Study/Mass before the lunch break. "It is like a ritual!" one student exclaimed, immediately after the midday prayer the soiled air returns this time not mandazi but now it is the even more appealing one of chips aka 'ma-fries za Alice'. This time, once the afternoon sun has made the sky its own, the smell of chips can leave a student famished after the 'scent' cools off. This, put simply, makes 12.20 p.m. feel like hours away, and makes 1:00 p.m. feel like days away. A student of reasonable age noted that the fact that not everyone, minority in fact, is going to eat chips, makes it harder to tolerate... and the fact that one's DH plate may be filled with anything, in a very random manner makes the prospect of canteen lunch a very enticing one.

Either way you look at it, this is either a brilliant marketing campaign by one of the staff or a huge distraction that may ensure that you spend 70% of your Math lesson staring out of the window(s).....or both...just ask 3&.