



STRATHMORE KEEPS IT REEL.

The Media and Drama Club lit up the stage at the recently concluded Nairobi Region Drama and Film Festival, submitting five standout film and media entries that showcased the school's creative powerhouse. From documentaries to podcasts, each piece told a compelling story, proving that Strathmore's talent isn't just academic, it's cinematic.

The results were as below:
1. **Early Years Education Documentary** – Runner-up,
2. **Primary School Documentary** – Fourth place
3. **Junior School Documentary** – Runner-up
4. **Senior School Documentary** – Fifth place
Podcast on career choices featuring Yuri Troniak – Headliner, *Position 1*

The festival underscored the clubs' versatility. The documentaries delivered insightful, visually engaging narratives, while the podcast, featuring the charismatic **Yuri Troniak**, stole the show with wit, depth, and audience appeal.

Three productions – the Podcast, the Early Years Education Documentary, and the Junior School Documentary – have now earned the golden ticket to represent **Strathmore School** at the **National Drama and Film Festival** in Nyeri this April.

From the lens to the microphone, Strathmore's Media and Drama Clubs have proven that when creativity meets craft, the result is nothing short of award-worthy storytelling.



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BANDITS' BRAVE CHARGE : HEART , GRIT , AND A TRY TOO FAR. By Pius Nyambok 3A

The Bandits' recent run on the rugby field has been nothing short of electric: a campaign stitched together with grit, flair, and an unshakeable appetite for victory. What began as a promising outing quickly turned into a statement, as the team made each fixture a display of discipline, cohesion, and attacking intent.

They burst out against Jamhuri High School with a performance both ruthless and refined, cruising to a commanding 34-0 win. The Grade 10 players added a fresh spark, blending seamlessly into the squad and playing with the composure of seasoned campaigners.

Against Langata High School, the Bandits faced a muddy, physical test but kept their composure to grind out a 15-0 victory, underlining their defensive strength. Then came the thriller against Nairobi School; a high-intensity clash that went down to the wire, leaving the bandits with a 24-22 win through sheer determination and belief.

Momentum firmly on their side, they went on to defeat Ofafa Jericho High School 22-12 and Hospital Hill High School 31-8, performances that reflected a team growing in confidence and control.

The semi-final against Lenana School delivered late drama, as the Bandits secured a 19-17 victory thanks to a brilliant last-gasp try from John Mogusu, sealing their place in the final.

In the final against Upper Hill, fatigue from four demanding days took its toll. Despite a spirited effort, the Bandits fell to a physically stronger side, bringing their impressive run to an end.

Kamau Kange stood out throughout the tournament, earning *MVP honors* for his consistent and influential performances.

Though the trophy slipped away, the Bandits leave with pride, momentum, and a campaign that will be remembered for its resilience, teamwork, and undeniable spirit.



BANDITS FIGHT FIERCELY , HONOR SECURED.



PRESSURE ? PIRATES TURN IT INTO POWER *by the pirates*

The U-15 Pirates basketball team capped a standout season marked by resilience, growth, and dominance, firmly establishing themselves among the top teams in their category. Building on the previous year, where they won both fixtures against U-17 opponents, the Pirates carried momentum into the new season, opening with a narrow 33-29 win over West Nairobi School. They went on to win the Kilimani Lavington Cluster Zonals and finish second at the Dagoretti North Sub-County Tournament.

Across 48 matches, the team lost just six times, three of those against U-17 sides, underlining their strength within their age group. While narrow defeats to Hillcrest (16-17) and RVA (35-36) highlighted their competitiveness, they also pushed older teams such as ISK U-17, Peponi U-17, and Naisula U-17 in closely contested games.

The Pirates were dominant against their peers, recording emphatic wins over St. Andrews Turi (34-6), BGR U-15 (34-12), Rusinga U-15 (28-15), and Millfield (41-27). They also went unbeaten to claim titles at the Naisula Tilisi Tournament and the IPSSA U-15 Tournament.

Their defining moment came in the IPSSA final, where they overturned a six-point deficit late in the game. Manuel Obimbo sparked the comeback before *Keane Njiru, later named the tournament's Most Valuable Player*, sealed the win in overtime with six fast-break points, assisted by Obimbo and Jason Mutari.

Head coach Alvin Buyanzi summed up the team's mentality: **"We do not bow to pressure, we are the pressure."**

With victories stacked high, the Pirates showed that they are more than a team, they are a storm on the court



MOTION ACCOMPLISHED By *Harry Okungu*

The Debating Club competed in the 11th Mashujaa Open Schools Championship at Strathmore University, fielding a contingent of 54 students across 13 teams – five senior and eight junior teams, alongside a quiz team and a public speaker. In a strong showing during the preliminary rounds, all teams broke into the knockout (cup) rounds.

The squad delivered an impressive medal haul, clinching the Main Quiz Cup and amassing 14 trophies across multiple categories. On the individual front, *Lance Marrosi and Allan Orina* distinguished themselves on the speakers' ladder, finishing as the 2nd and 3rd Best Junior Speakers, respectively.

Several teams advanced deep into elimination rounds, posting results that included Plate Cup Winners, Shield Cup Winners, Ace Cup Runners-Up, and numerous semi-final appearances in both junior and senior brackets. Notably, the teams held their own against older, more seasoned opposition, an intentional competitive exposure that continues to sharpen speaking quality, rebuttal strength, and adjudication awareness.

Guiding this formidable squad was Mr Mosoti, the ever-strategic patron who ensured the team never lost the plot. Alongside him, trainer Ted Iha kept the debaters battle-ready, polishing arguments and tightening rebuttals.





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CHUI CHASED, SIMBA ROARED, NYATI PUSHED, NDOVU WON By Pius

Thursday, 19th March 2026 will be remembered as the day when dust flew, whistles shrieked, and four mighty teams: Chui, Nyati, Simba, and Ndovu, turned the school grounds into a mini-Olympics with equal parts grit, speed, and laughter.

The opening act was the festival relay challenges; a delightful cocktail of chaos, the sack race delivered the first giggles of the day as determined athletes bounced forward like popcorn refusing to stay in the pan. The spoon race tested nerves and balance. Then came the tyre races, where competitors pushed forward with fierce focus, guiding the rolling tyres as fast as they could, followed by the skipping races, which turned the field into a rhythmic symphony of ropes slapping turf and cheers slicing through the morning air.

The football and touch rugby matches followed, delivering moments of daring runs, tactical passes, and the occasional tumble that earned both applause and jeers. Meanwhile, across courts and fields, contests in basketball, volleyball, handball, and the ever, anticipated long and short races unfolded with relentless energy.

From the smallest Grade One sprinters, whose legs seemed powered by pure excitement to the seasoned Form Four athletes sprinting with the seriousness of national trials, every race was a battle of lungs, legs, and loud encouragement from teammates.

Just when muscles began to protest and water bottles ran dangerously low, the day reached its dramatic finale: the festival relays: 4x100M. The final stretch was nothing short of cinematic; athletes charging forward, spectators roaring, and teachers briefly forgetting their composure as they cheered like lifelong fans.

When the dust settled and the final tallies were made, one team stood tallest.

Ndovu, true to its namesake, had not merely participated, it had stamped its authority across the field. With steady performances across multiple events and a determination as solid as an elephant's stride, Ndovu was declared the overall winner, sending waves of celebration across the pitch.

While the trophy and bragging rights found their way to Ndovu, the real victory belonged to the spirit of participation that defined the day. *Chui sprinted with feline agility, Nyati showed stubborn resilience, Simba roared with courage, and Ndovu marched with unstoppable resolve.*

By sunset, the field bore the footprints of champions, the echoes of laughter, and the unmistakable memory of a day when competition met camaraderie—and everyone, in one way or another, finished on the podium of pride.





PALM TREES, HALLS, AND HISTORY: TAKE THE CHALLENGE

1. Which month and year did the first five students enroll into Strathmore as Form 5 students?
2. When were the first granito floors laid in the school?
3. In what year was the second-highest KCPE score in Strathmore's history recorded?
4. What were the original colours of the school buses before the classic yellow?
5. In which year did the school tarmac the main car park and main entrance?
6. In which year did the School of Accountancy move from Lavington to the Madaraka campus?
7. A structural engineer involved in the construction of Strathmore later taught mathematics in the school. Who was he?
8. When was the first Strathmore yearbook published?
9. Which two main buildings were completed in the school in 1964?
10. In which years did the Form 4 class rank 2nd nationally?
11. When was the Marian Shrine built?
12. What's the name of the volleyball team?
13. Who designed the Strathmore school architecture?
14. In which month and year did a group of Kenyan past Strathmore students attend UNIV in Rome and meet St. Josemaria?
15. In 1963, which famous Kenyan leader addressed students in the common room?
16. Before it was called Mzima Springs Road, what was the name of the road leading to the school?
17. In which month and year was this road tarmacked, allowing access from Nairobi City Centre to the school entrance?
18. What was the name of the last foreign Archbishop of Nairobi who visited the school and addressed students?
19. What stood in place of the lunch hall extension before it was built?
20. Who planted the six iconic palm trees in front of the computer lab?
21. What was the name of the first tournament Strathmore participated in?
22. In what year did this tournament take place?

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