



THE GRADE 8 EXPERIENCE ↗ Osidiana Eli 8A

Grade 8 students recently visited Don Bosco Boys for a day of interaction, teamwork, and memorable experiences. The visit began with a warm welcome from the school band, which marched into the hall and performed several songs, including "Count Your Blessings." The impressive performance featured instruments such as drums, saxophones, trumpets, trombones, tubas, French horns, and cymbals.

The students later took part in a community team-building session involving music, dance, and group activities that encouraged unity and participation. This was followed by a welcome address from the Director, who appreciated the students and teachers for visiting. The teachers also shared brief remarks, adding a personal touch to the occasion.

The students then participated in various sporting activities, including basketball, football, and volleyball. The volleyball match between Strathmore and Don Bosco was a sight to see. Don Bosco however secured victory after two competitive sets where both teams demonstrated excellent teamwork and determination.

The games were followed by environmental activities where students worked together to clean the compound through sweeping, collecting litter, disposing of waste, and watering plants. The visit concluded with an entertaining programme featuring skating, acrobatics, and rap performances, including an impressive debut performance by a Strathmore student.

After sharing lunch and a closing prayer, the students departed with lasting memories of friendship, teamwork, and a meaning-



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WALKING IN HIS PRESENCE ↗ Jerrel Gweth 3&

On 28th May 2026, the School marked the Feast of Corpus Christi with a reverent and colourful celebration. The procession route was beautifully decorated with flower petals, creating a fitting path for the Blessed Sacrament. Students and staff gathered respectfully as the celebration began.

The procession was led by Father Francis, who carried the monstrance containing the Holy Eucharist, accompanied by six student leaders, including school captains and vice-captains. Members of the altar-serving team also assisted throughout the ceremony, adding to its dignity and solemnity.

Following the procession, Father Francis reflected on Christ's words in John 6:35: *"I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst."* He reminded the school community that Corpus Christi celebrates Christ's presence among His people and encouraged students to welcome Him into their daily lives, and the wider school community.

He expressed gratitude to the art teachers and the mothers of students who had received their First Holy Communion for preparing the beautiful floral carpet along the procession route.

Father Francis invited students to reflect on Jesus' question to Bartimaeus: *"What do you want me to do for you?"* He encouraged them to place their hopes, studies, families, and concerns before Christ, while seeking the gift of His presence and peace. Referring to the words *Dona Nobis Pacem* ("Lord, give us peace"), he reminded the community to pray for peace in their hearts, families, and the world.

The celebration continued in the chapel with a special prayer session for Grade 6, Grade 9, and Form 4 students as they prepared for key examinations and milestones. The Blessed Sacrament remained exposed throughout the day, allowing students and staff to spend time in silent prayer and adoration.

The Feast of Corpus Christi 2026 was a meaningful celebration for the Strathmore School community — a day of faith, reflection, gratitude, and renewed appreciation of Christ's presence in everyday life.





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THE SHOW MUST GO ON –Darryl Langat 4&

The annual talent show rolled around once again demonstrating that we are as much a home for creativity as it is for academic excellence. Students from different Forms and Grades took to the stage to showcase their diverse talents.

This year's event was particularly significant as the Music Department continues to expand through the addition of guitars, keyboards, brass instruments, violins, and saxophones generously donated by Dr. Deepak Bedi, the chief guest.

Hosted by student emcees George Gunga, Adriel Mutugi, Alvin Mbatia, and Keith Gichoya, the programme featured a variety of performances, including a one-handed Rubik's Cube challenge, a Form Four rendition of the Jackson Five's *I Want You Back*, rap, poetry, a French skit, and instrumental performances.

During the ceremony, Mr. Muthiora thanked Dr. Bedi for his Ksh. 3.6 million contribution to the school's music programme and presented him with a school plaque. Professor Sperling then honoured Dr. Bedi with a graduation sash, recalling his time as Strathmore's principal when Dr. Bedi was a student. After a brief address, Dr. Bedi invited John Katana of Them Mushrooms, who encouraged students to continue developing their musical talents.

The show concluded with an energetic performance by a Form Four band comprising Darren Langat, Daryl Langat, Alvin Ndiritu, Michael Kariuki, and Timothy Patta. Long after the buses had begun to leave, classmates remained singing and dancing together. The day ended beneath the acacia tree, where the Form Four students gathered for one final song before ending with their familiar chant:

“Form Four tuko!”



HEAR! HEAR! ↗Baptista Gichane 3A

On 13th–14th June 2026, we took part in the 12th Edition of the Mashujaa Debate Championship held at Strathmore University. Represented by a team of 56 students, we competed against 29 schools, with six senior teams, seven junior teams, and two public speakers taking part. After four preliminary rounds, all our teams successfully advanced to the knockout stages.

The championship turned out to be our most successful competition of the year. We won two of the three main trophies, securing the Senior Debate Main Cup and the Senior Quiz Main Cup. We also made history by becoming the first school to have two teams compete against each other in the Senior Main Cup final.

The tournament was also a rewarding experience on an individual level. We produced the top three senior speakers and five speakers in the overall top ten rankings. I was honoured to be named the Best Speaker of the Tournament, while Jaden Kiragu, Nathan Njenga, Michire Ngaii, and Jason Gitanda also earned recognition among the top senior speakers. In the junior category, Christian Owino was named the 6th Best Junior Speaker.

Our teams continued to perform strongly across different categories, winning a total of 13 trophies and one shield. The senior teams secured the Main Cup, Private Team Main Cup, and ACE Cup, while the junior teams won the Plate Cup and reached several semi-finals.

Beyond the trophies, the championship was a celebration of teamwork, preparation, research, and the passion we share for debating. It was an unforgettable experience that reminded us of the value of collaboration and the confidence built through public speaking.





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BETWEEN A ROCK AND A MUD PLACE- By Jeremy Rotich 3A

Arriving at school arrayed in sporting attire, the Form 3 class jovially engaged in banter and jest, excited for the auspicious occasion. Before we became too restless, we picked our victuals, boarded the two buses, and were on our way.

The drive lasted almost two hours, during which there was much sightseeing and chatter. When we arrived at the site, we were welcomed by three rangers who would be our guides. After trekking for a short while, we came across an old railway line. We walked on it for a while, leaving the forest and going on a dusty path. At some point, we turned unexpectedly into the bush.

After some minutes fighting with overhanging branches, we realised that we were off course. Finding our way, we made it to the stream downhill. What a challenge! For those of us who thought that trying not to slide down the slope was the hardest task, we were in for a rude awakening. In order to continue, we had no choice but to manoeuvre over rocks, getting our shoes and trousers muddy in the growing stream. Of course, what other time was more appropriate for the cameraman to snap pictures than that?

Soon, we reached an expanse of land where the stream became a river. Comically, our file had broken into two groups, hence it was safe to say that some of us were almost lost. In ten or so minutes we caught up with the rest, who were taking their lunch break. After that quick break, we trudged again, and got to another dusty road. Into the bushes we turned again at some point. As if the forest was playing tricks on us, some of us got lost again, or so we thought. In fact, we were on the right track, but waited for the two rangers at the back to come and lead us.

When we gradually left the forest and came to a small town, most of us thought that we had come to the end. It was an unwelcome shock to discover that we still had to climb to return to the buses. In the end, and very fatigued, we all reached the buses. Exhausted yet exuberant, we made our journey back to school. Despite our soiled shoes and clothes, and our weary limbs, it certainly was an eventful excursion.



ON THE RIGHT NOTE By Keita Abondo Grade 9&

We delivered an outstanding performance at the 2026 Kenya Music Festivals, with students across the Senior School, Junior School, Upper Primary, and Lower Primary earning numerous top honours at the sub-regional competitions.

The Senior School impressed in both vocal and instrumental categories. Daryl Langat won first place in the Advanced Pianoforte Solo, while Aidan Muiga topped the Woodwind Solo category. Other strong performances came from Bruce Kibe, Austin Muniu, Caesar Okumu, Peet Saende, Roy Gathirwa, and Dante Mbugua, who all secured second-place finishes in their respective events.

The Junior School also excelled, with Damian Fernandes winning the Boys' Solo and helping the quartet claim first place. Keita Abondo won the Non-Classical Guitar Solo, Benjamin Mauersberger topped the French Solo Verse, and the Junior School Choir took first place for its Arrangement of African Folk Tunes.

Upper and Lower Primary pupils maintained the school's strong tradition of excellence, collecting several first-place finishes in choral music, solo performances, piano, and verse categories. The Primary School also performed exceptionally well, winning first place in five of the fourteen items it presented, including Own Arrangement Gospel, Own Arrangement African, Original Composition (Mihadarati), Choral Verse, and Solo Verse.

These excellent results reflect the dedication of the students, the guidance of their teachers, and the school's continued commitment to nurturing musical talent. Students and ensembles that placed first and second qualified for the Regional Music Festivals, with the opportunity to advance to the national stage.





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A BYTE ABOVE THE REST - Coding club

The coding team delivered an outstanding performance at the Code Festival 2026, with all 45 learners from Grade 1 to Form 3 qualifying for the National Competition after an impressive showing.

Organised by iSkillsMasters in partnership with Strathmore University under the theme "Green Earth," the competition challenged learners to develop innovative technology solutions for environmental sustainability through coding, web development, and IoT projects.

Top-performing projects included **Climalink (79%)**, **Mimea Hub (78%)**, **Waste Management Project (74%)**, **Hue 4 (74%)**, **Environmental Team (73%)**, **Atlas EcoMetric (71%)**, **Earth Protection (70%)**, and **Eco Cook Kenya (69%)**. Every Strathmore team scored above the qualification mark, earning a place at the National Competition.

The exceptional performance also saw Strathmore School crowned **Best School Overall**, recognising the learners' creativity, teamwork, and problem-solving skills.

Congratulations to all the participants, their teachers, and parents on this remarkable achievement. We wish Team Strathmore every success at the National Competition.



WORTH EVERY KICK - Warutere Michael 3A & Owuor Hawi 10A

The School teams displayed determination and resilience in recent football and rugby competitions.

The Under-19 football team travelled to Lavington Primary on 5 June to face Dagoretti Mixed School in a regional qualifier for the Counties Tournament. After a goalless draw through regulation time and extra time, the Sangomas were narrowly eliminated, losing 4-2 in a penalty shootout. The team put in a disciplined performance, with notable contributions from Michael Kariuki, Michael Shema, Jeremy Murimi, Lenges Jason Kibungei, Hayden Muchimi, Trevor Mwangi, and Wakori.

Meanwhile, the Under-11 rugby team competed in a contact rugby tournament at Rift Valley Academy. They opened with a 10-10 draw against the hosts, lost twice to Shamash School by 15-10, and secured an impressive 25-20 victory over RVA. Finishing with one win, one draw, and two losses, the team showed resilience, teamwork, and excellent sportsmanship throughout the tournament.

