

The Wangari Maathai Institute holds the Inaugural End of Year Sports for Peace 2018
- December 8, 2018



In red Jersey; Street to School and the University of Nairobi, Kikuyu Campus in Red during the final match

The Wangari Maathai Institute for Peace and Environmental Studies (WMI) held the first End of Year Sports for Peace 2018 activity on Saturday December 08, 2018 at the Wangari Maathai Institute Green Campus. WMI was established to institutionalize and advance the ideals, works and walks of Prof. Wangari Maathai. The Institute is driven by a vision of lasting peace founded on responsible and accountable governance principles and practices that focus on promoting a culture of peace whereby beliefs and values of others are respected. Sports are a great asset in contributing towards peace building and conflict resolution. It encourages team work, team spirit and breaking of cultural and ethnic barriers. It has an empowering effect in that the youth will be able to develop skills and knowledge necessary to ensure that they have more control of their lives and engage meaningfully in their communities.

In this light, the Institute held the First End of Year Sports for Peace 2018 activity on December 08, 2018 under theme dubbed, “Breaking Barriers,” to mobilize, inspire and promote peaceful co-existence and building of team spirit amongst the students and the community at large through sports. The Institute intends to make this activity an annual event.

The Sports for Peace activity engaged around **150 stakeholders and participants** ranging from the Entrepreneurs and Partners such as Fresh on-the-go, Youth based

organisations such as : Where is the Love Kenya ; Kayole Mtaa Safi ; Street to School; 31B and Let's Talk Forum among others, faith based organisations such as PCEA SGM Kinoo Church and the tertiary Institutions such as Kenyatta University, Kenya School of Law, Oshwal College and the greater University of Nairobi Family i.e CAVS, Kikuyu Campus, Parklands Campus, Chiromo Campus, School of Engineering and Lower Kabete campus.



Street to School, Winners of the day's match

The activities included Football matches, Athletics, Board Games and Exhibition. Certificates were awarded to the winning team as well as the first and second runners up. Foods and Refreshments were served by Millans Cafe. Entertainment was catered for courtesy of Eve Entertainment.

Congratulations to all Sports for Peace 2018 participants and winners:

Winners - Street to School

First Runners Up - UoN Kikuyu Campus

Second Runners Up - Kayole Mtaa Safi

Third runners Up - Where is the Love Kenya

Quote: The essence of beauty is unity in variety

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