

Champions Aga Khan Academy send early warning in county games

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Suel Njau (with ball) of Allidina Visram High School dribbles the ball past Johnathan Ssewararityanga (right) of Aga Khan Academy during the first boys semi final match in the Mombasa Sub County term one games in Mombasa, February 29, 2020. [PHOTO BY GIDEON MAUNDU]/

Champions Aga Khan Academy, Mombasa kept alive their title hopes as Mombasa County secondary schools Term One games began yesterday at Shimo La Tewa High School. Coached by Jimnah Kimani, Aga Khan, who are both boys and girls' title holders, are tipped to retain the titles when the games end today. In the boys' basketball, Aga Khan showed no mercy to Mtopanga, drubbing them 37-1 in the one-sided match. The victory set a winning tone for Aga Khan, who had Jordan Ssewakiryanga topping the score sheet with nine points.

Murangira Tindyebwa had six more points for the winners. "It was a good start and I look forward to winning the subsequent fixtures. We could have won by a bigger margin but the playing minutes were squeezed to fit the day-one program," said coach Kimani, adding that his focus is to travel to Kwale County for the Coast regional games. In another match, St Charles Lwanga were awarded 20 points after their opponents Mt Sinai failed to honour the fixture. Former champions Shimo La Tewa narrowly upset pre-match favourites Mombasa Baptist 28-26, while Moi Forces Academy defeated Kajembe 21-8 in another match. In girls' basketball, Mama Ngina were awarded 20 points after their opponents failed to show up.

Meanwhile, Coast region boys' and girls' handball champions White House School successfully retained their titles during the Taita Taveta County championships. In boys' matches, White House won all their games with Voi Boys settling for the second slot. White House girls also retained the title on an unbeaten run with Mwanyambo finishing second. Moi Boys won hockey title, with Kenyatta Mwatate finishing second. Bura retained the girls' crown, while Kajire were second. [Ernest Ndunda] Timbila were crowned boys basketball champions with Voi Boys claiming the second position. Bura and Murray were first and second in girls basketball respectively.

Kenyatta Mwatate won the rugby 7s where Voi Boys were second. In rugby 15s, Mghalu emerged victorious with St Mary's Lushangonyi claiming the second position.

Mwatate sub county won both boys and girls cross country titles with Voi sub county winning the overall athletics crown.

The winners of all the six countries Mombasa, Kilifi, Taita Taveta, Kwale, Tana River and Lamu converge next Wednesday at Kwale High for the Coast region games.

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