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7 ELITE IN ENGLAND 2026



Player Spotlight

Nathan Daames is our player of the month - this year he has scored 32 goals and provided 16 assists, at a rate of a goal or assist every 48 minutes! On top of that, he's the top learner in his class, and we wish him all the best in his matric finals coming up next month.

Thanks to our strong partnerships in the UK, two promising young players had the opportunity to travel to England in August for a two-week football experience. Jesse van As (16, striker) and Deven Garde (19, centre back) spent one week with Fleetwood Town FC, followed by a week at Marine FC.

Both players took part in numerous training sessions and played two competitive games, experiencing a new football environment and testing themselves against different opposition. Jesse and Deven impressed throughout the trip, showing their ability, professionalism and willingness to learn.

Creating opportunities like these through our international partnerships is a key part of what we do. We're excited to see what pathways may open up for Jesse and Deven following this experience.

UPCOMING EVENTS

* Kapstadt Cup 30/09 - 04/10

7 Elite Academy is proud to compete in the Kapstadt CUP, a premier youth football tournament bringing together teams from South Africa and around the world. The tournament provides a competitive platform for young players to test themselves, gain experience and connect through football.



CONGRATULATIONS

We said not to be surprised if we saw Fisher wearing Kenyan national colours before too long — and now it's happened! Congratulations to Fisher Othiambo on his call-up to the Kenya U19 squad. Since joining us from our partners at TTA in Nairobi, Fisher has continued to demonstrate the discipline, professionalism and commitment that make him such an exciting prospect. This call-up is a well-deserved reward for the hard work he puts into developing his game, and we're incredibly proud to see him take this next step on his football journey.



WELCOME

During August we welcomed Bandzile Mazibuko (eSwatini), Vine Mokone (South Africa) and Akorede Dauda (Nigeria) to Cape Town. We are excited to see their development with us over the coming months!



Bandzile Mazibuko



Akorede Dauda



Vine Mokone

