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Oppie Tong Af / On The Tip Of Your Tongue Breaking boundaries

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2026 marks an exciting milestone, bringing people together while they're apart. Oppie Tong Af / On the Tip of Your Tongue has launched a new online debate project in Afrikaans and English, the first of its kind to be presented at school level in the country. It brings debate to learners and schools in a fresh, accessible way, creating new space for conversation, critical thinking and participation.

The project aims to push boundaries and create opportunities for learners to develop their voices, share ideas with confidence and listen respectfully to different perspectives. By taking place online, it opens the door for more schools and learners to participate, regardless of their location or resources.

The project features two categories: team debate, with two members working together to build and present their case, and individual debate, another first at school level in the country. Taking the stage alone takes remarkable courage, and this category gives learners the opportunity to express their ideas, trust their voice and shine as individuals.

At Oppie Tong Af / On the Tip of Your Tongue, we believe every learner deserves the opportunity to be heard. The project encourages schools to create more inclusive spaces where diverse voices, experiences and viewpoints are welcomed and where learners can learn, grow and discover their potential together.

We congratulate all the debate teams and individual debaters on their outstanding achievements at the annual national final, held in person in October this year.