

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March

### **Sailing:**

The Bay of Plenty Regional Sailing Regatta was held last week in Tauranga in very wet conditions. Otumoetai College had two teams in the competition, a junior and a senior team. They all sailed a fantastic series winning 6 of their 8 races, only to narrowly miss out on winning the competition, finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> overall. Congratulations to all the students involved, this is an awesome result.

### **Volleyball:**

Over the weekend saw the final days in the Bay of Plenty Indoor Volleyball Champs and the final placing's for seeding's for Nationals. This year all our teams played extremely well and finished significantly higher than where the teams did last year. In the girls, the Senior A team didn't have much competition throughout the champs, finishing first in a 3-0 win against Mount Maunganui College. The senior B girls had an outstanding run throughout the champs making the semi-finals, unfortunately coming up against our senior A so finished playing off for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. In an extremely tight game, going to five sets the girls ended up 4<sup>th</sup>. The senior C girls finished 9<sup>th</sup> (which means they are in honors division at nationals), the senior D finished 13<sup>th</sup> and Senior E finished 21<sup>st</sup>. In the boys, the senior A team played a very close semifinal against Western Heights, going down in the 5<sup>th</sup> set, finishing 4<sup>th</sup> overall. Senior D boys finished 11<sup>th</sup>, Senior B Boys 14<sup>th</sup>, Senior C boys 18<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to all of our volleyball teams, we are extremely proud of the results from this year and good luck for Nationals.

### **Athletics:**

Waikato/Bay of Plenty Secondary Schools Athletics was held over the weekend at the Tauranga Domain. We unfortunately only had seven students able to attend the competition due to the clash with summer sports on the Saturday. In saying that, the seven students that attended finished with some outstanding results. Ollie Reed won the Intermediate boys 400m race and the Intermediate boys Triple Jump. Makayla Rae won the junior girls 100m race and finished 3<sup>rd</sup> 200m race, Makayla will also run the 70m hurdles at the North Island champs. Ruben Clinton 3<sup>rd</sup> senior boys Javelin. Alex Ireland 2<sup>nd</sup> junior boys 80m hurdles. Hayden Ensor 3<sup>rd</sup> senior boys Javelin. Congratulations to all these students and good luck for the North Island championships.

### **Surf Life Saving:**

In the recent AquaPick Surf Life Saving Nationals Alicia Wilson won a gold medal in the U16 Beach Flags event. She also won a silver in the U16 Beach Sprint and her relay team won a silver in the U16 Beach relay. Alicia's weekend was topped off by her selection in the New Zealand Surf Life Saving Development Squad. Congratulations Alicia this is an awesome achievement and you have made the school proud.

### **Swimming Sports:**

The school swimming sports were held during the week at the Otumoetai pools. The amount of students that were swimming competitively this year was awesome to see. An extra huge congratulations to the students in which broke the six records throughout the day, Thomas Chaney x2, Jack Neale x1 and Josh Pickett x3. The day ran extremely smoothly so thank you to the PE department for the organization. The results are as follows:

**Junior Girls:**

1<sup>st</sup> – Georgia Rattray  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Sarah Ensor  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Grace Blissett

**Junior Boys**

1<sup>st</sup> – Liam Hock  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Cameron Hyde  
3<sup>rd</sup> – James Austin

**Intermediate Girls:**

1<sup>st</sup> – Connie-Pearl Anderson  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Samantha Carter  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Kate Bradley

**Intermediate Boys**

1<sup>st</sup> – Thomas Chaney  
2<sup>nd</sup> – George Culling  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Tem Strickland

**Senior Girls:**

1<sup>st</sup> – Kelcy Ballantyne  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Keeley Johns  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Claudia Capp

**Senior Boys:**

1<sup>st</sup> – Josh Pickett  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Jack Neale  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Damien Potts