

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April

#### Volleyball:

This year Volleyball once again had the biggest number of students from the school participate at Nationals during tournament week. We travelled to Palmerston North with 73 students and 16 management, a total of seven teams. All of our teams played exceptionally well throughout the week, showing in the results. The senior A boys finished top of their pull crossing over in the quarter finals with Westlake high school. The boys played well in a tough game to unfortunately be beaten 1-3. The boys went on to finish 5<sup>th</sup> (NZ team) 6<sup>th</sup> overall in the tournament. The boys black team finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in division 4 and the boys green team 12<sup>th</sup> in division 3. The senior A girls had a particularly good tournament, winning all of their games through their pool play. They had a tough game against the eventual winners in the semi-final going down 2-3. The girls made us extremely proud coming off a tough loss to win their 3<sup>rd</sup> playoff, coming home with the bronze medal. The B girls had a tough start to the week, eventually finishing 10<sup>th</sup> in div 2. The C girls had an outstanding tournament making top eight of division 2, they had five out of nine games that went to five sets and came out fighting in all of them, finishing 8<sup>th</sup> in div 2. The D girls made it into division 3 which was awesome after being in division 5 last year, finishing 12<sup>th</sup>.

#### Rowing:

The Maadi National Rowing Championship was this year held at Lake Karapiro. As a school we took away a group of 16 students who were entered into a total of 19 races. This season was extremely successful for us with many of the students making it into semifinals and finals. We had four teams make A finals, five teams made B finals and two making D finals. In one of the A finals our boys u17 coxed quad crew finished 3<sup>rd</sup>, bringing home a medal for the first time in four seasons. We are extremely proud of the rowers this season and its awesome to see all the hard work put into trainings paying off in competition.

#### Sailing:

Our sailing team competed at the Regionals in Taupo over summer tournament week with a crew of eight students. They competed extremely well having one issue with the boat in a race and missing out on the Gold Fleet. The crew went on to win the Silver Fleet, equal with Napier boys high A. The students have worked hard throughout the season so it's great to see them doing so well at regional regattas.

#### Equestrian:

Congratulations to Brooke Harris who competed in the North Island Secondary Schools Dressage competition coming 1<sup>st</sup> in level 3 and 2<sup>nd</sup> in level 2 pony testing and her team which Olivia Scott was also in finished 5<sup>th</sup> overall.

#### Triathlon:

Congratulations to Grace Blissett who competed at the National Secondary Schools Triathlon event, finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> in triathlon and 3<sup>rd</sup> in Aquathon.