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Volleyball:

Last weekend saw the finish to the Bay of Plenty Secondary Schools Competitions leading into the Nationals down in Palmerston North. The tournament is run over 6 days split into three weekends with the finals being played out on Sunday. Fielding nine teams over the boys and girl's competitions, Otumoetai were able to come away with some great results. The senior girl's competition was tightly contested this year with a majority of games being played out to fourth and fifth sets. The Senior A girls managed to make it to the finals after being down 2-0 to a strong Trident outfit in the semi-finals. A decisive 3-1 victory came against Western Heights in the final off of a spirited team performance. The Senior B girls managed to finish 6th in the top division with the Senior C girls placing a commendable 9th. The Senior Boys A capped the weekend off with a dominant performance over Bethlehem to take 3rd place in a 3 setter. The Senior B boys rounded up the top 10. This finalises the seedings at Nationals where we wish our competing teams the best of luck. A mixed bag for NZ U18 Player Tymara Cox who is over with the New Zealand girls competing in China in the Asia Youth Girls Volleyball Champs. Although loving the level of volleyball over there, she injured herself in the warm up of the first game but we are all in high hopes for her to be right to bring back some dominant strength to the girls senior A team for Nationals.

Rowing:

Despite less than favourable conditions on Lake Karapiro, the Otumoetai Rowers managed to pull out some great results at the North Island Secondary Schools Rowing Champs over the weekend. With 1808 athletes from 95 different schools competing our rowers did great to make 3 C Finals, 3 B Finals and an A Final. Callum Mowat finished 3rd in the U18 B grade final. Sam Allen also picked up a 3rd in the U18 C Finals for Single Scull. Kara Crawford-Smith did great finishing 8th the U17 Girls Single Scull A final. Our rowers now eagerly await the Maadi Cup Regatta in a couple weeks' time.