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Badminton:

The Tauranga Secondary Schools Senior Badminton Championships were held at the Queen Elizabeth Youth Centre last Friday. Unfortunately, for our students it was senior exam week so we went from having seven teams to two teams, which were both boys' teams. The division one team played extremely well with our Bay of Plenty Rep player Minjae Gwak standout player in the team.

Football:

On Saturday the 1st XI Football boys team played an unbeaten Bethlehem college side. The boys found themselves down 0-2 at the half time break. Justus Duncanson had a great second half game picking up the teams two goals to keep them in the game. Year 10 keeper Dan Hymers made some outstanding saves throughout the game to keep the score at 2-2 at full time. This was an awesome result for the boys as Bethlehem are the top of the table team, the boys showed some real guts in the close match.

Basketball:

The Senior B Boys Basketball team has had a remarkable start to their season winning five of their six games. Last week they had a tough game, with students out study for exams they only managed to have five boys at the game. Taking on Whakatane High School with no suns was always going to be a challenge but the boys played a well-structured hard game taking the 43-37 win.

Hockey:

The 1XI Girls team turned in a very good performance against the more experienced Tauranga Girls side going down 1-2 in a close match. We started strongly, moving the ball well, and had a number of shots on goal, however it was the Tauranga side who were able to convert their opportunities scoring 2 quick goals before half time. Our girls lifted their game in the 2nd half and deservedly scored following a fine individual effort from Kebriah Newman. Spurred on by this goal, we fought hard for the equaliser but their defence held firm. A pleasing display from a young team who are starting to play some fine hockey in the build up to their National tournament in September

Our 2nd XI Boys have come through the first round of their season top of the table with Mount Maunganui 1st XI a close 2nd. Last week saw the semi-finals of round one and the boys took on Tauranga Boys College Seniors winning 3-1 placing them in the finals against Mount College 1st XI played on Tuesday night. The game was as you would expect a final to be, a tough hard, fast game. The boys played extremely well against an older more experienced Mount College 1st XI. When the final whistle blew, the game was a draw and like all finals, there needed to be a winning so penalty shoot-out it was. Our 2nd XI team is very young and this would have been a first time for many of them to be under the pressure of a penalty shoot-out. The boys went down 1-2 but it was an awesome experience for them all to be a part of and we look forward to their results in round two.