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Athletics:

Congratulations to our amazing Athletics students that competed at the New Zealand Secondary Schools Champs at the end of last year. We had a small team of students compete at the event but all did very well. Finalists in their events were Abigail Griffiths who made the semi-finals in both the 100m and 200m sprints and Jacob Grant made the quarter finals in both the 100m and 200m sprints.

NZ Age Groups Beach Volleyball:

The New Zealand age group Beach Volleyball tournament was held over the holidays on Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th January at Mount Maunganui main beach. We had a few students involved in this tournament, some playing with students outside of our school as it's a NZ event not secondary Schools. Larissa Meads and Rose Akkerman competed in the u17 grade and made the final against girls from the South Island finishing 2nd overall. Emma Hegarty played with an outside of school partner in the u19 grade and finished 4th overall. Congratulations to all the students who competed in this event.

NZ Secondary Schools Beach Volleyball:

New Zealand Secondary Schools Beach Champs were held over at the Mount Maunganui main beach over Waitangi Weekend. We had 82 Students involved in the event, the biggest school by a long shot. The competition is broken into Junior and Senior grades and in the girls this year there was a year 9 division. In the Junior Girls Danella Clark and Jess O'Hearn made the finals in division two, finishing up second after a hard fought three set match. Our standout team of the weekend was Larissa Meads and Rose Akkerman, going through the weekend undefeated to make the division one junior girls final. The first set was very close and the girls managed to pull through and win, then they were very clinical in the second set to take the match quite easily and finish as the NZ Secondary Schools Junior National beach champs. In the year 9 competition we had eight of the nine teams playing. Our girls Mischa Bidois and Hayley Cottam beat the Bethlehem College team to make it through to the finals against Mia Gardiner and Kiana Rae. The girls had a close battle with the game going to three sets. Mischa and Hayley's strong serves pulled them through in the 3rd set to take the year 9 girls title. In the boys we had our year 10 boys Tommy Gadsbey and Jacksyn Smith made the final in division two. The boys fought hard and played well finishing 2nd.