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Team makes a splash with podium finish



The podium-placed swimming team

A COLLEGE swimming team is celebrating success after a podium finish in a national competition.

Barton Peveril Sixth Form College's Swimming Team had a successful competition at the English Schools' Swimming Association National Final, finishing third nationally in the Freestyle Relay and fifth nationally in the Medley Relay.

Speaking after their success, team member Kieran Beckett said: "I'm so happy with getting

a podium finish in the relay.

"To beat specialist swimming schools just as a group of close mates was a great feeling and one I will never forget."

The team qualified for the national final at the regional competition in Hampshire five weeks ago.

On Saturday, the Barton Peveril swimmers were competing against the top swimming scholarship schools in the country and earned their place on the podium after a promising display in the heats and a

successful final race, which was held in London's Olympic pool.

The team consisted of former Wildern School pupils Max Nugent and William Whitlock, former Bitterne Park School pupil Keiran Beckett, Tyler Ellis who formerly attended Redbridge Community School, and former The Romsey School pupil Filip Fraczek-Krygier.

The team were each given a bronze medal and a wooden plaque commemorating their success on the relay race.