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## **MAUNGARAKI SCHOOL STUDENT WINS PRIZE IN NATIONAL COMPETITION**

To help Kiwi kids learn about British geography and history, the British High Commission ran a 'British Landmarks – Geography Competition' on their educational website – [www.britain4kiwikids.org.nz](http://www.britain4kiwikids.org.nz).

Emma Brigden, from Maungaraki School in Lower Hutt won second place in the '9-12 years' category.

Dr Michael Cherrett, Deputy High Commissioner, will visit the school on Monday 17 December at 10.00am to personally present Emma with her prize. Dr Cherrett said it was a very impressive achievement in a competition that attracted hundreds of entries. Emma should be justifiably proud of her achievement.

Emma's prize package includes a \$25 Whitcoulls Book Voucher, Backpack, T-Shirt, Drink Bottle, Beachball and Frisbee.

Dr Cherrett will present certificates to all of Emma's classmates who also entered the competition, along with some pictorial books of Britain for the school library.

The British High Commission received more than 200 entries from schoolchildren the length of New Zealand. Kiwi kids were asked to download a map of the UK, and locate several well-known landmarks (ie. the Eden Project, Hadrian's Wall, etc.). They were also asked to write a short paragraph as to why these landmarks were world-renowned, with the aim of raising awareness and stimulate children's interest in geography and history.

The work of the top three winners from each category has been published on the website.

The British High Commission's children's website [www.britain4kiwikids.org.nz](http://www.britain4kiwikids.org.nz) has been designed specifically for New Zealand children to enable them to conduct research on on-line.