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The official residence (right) of the Ambassador for Switzerland, showing the gardens developed and cared for by Heinz Jäggi

Children's Christmas Competition

The photo above shows the nine Christmas Scenes drawn and decorated by some of our young readers in response to the recent Christmas Competition.

The numbered pictures were created by:

	1.	Giulia Eugster	Kerikeri	age 6
	2.	Daniel Rust,	Huntly	age 7
	3.	Yvonne Werder	Patea	age 6
	4.	Fiorella Eichholze	r	age 12
١	5.	Tanja Eugster	Kerikeri	age 9
	6.	Eliska Blattner	Wanganui	age 6
١	7.	Michael Hewson	Hamilton age	10
١	8.	Sonja Werder	Patea age	11
١	9	Helen Werder	Patea	age 9

As can be seen in the photo, all were extremely well done, using quite a variety of materials, making each one unique.

Each child taking part has been sent an advent calendar with chocolates - thank you all for taking part.

ber, and that we have been networking with the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs in Bern (in particular with Ambassador Walter Thurnheer. who will visit New Zealand in early December) in order to be able to face any emergency which might arise should a concrete terrorist threat at a later stage endanger the life of Swiss New citizens in Zealand.

Ambassador's Christmas Message ...continued from page 3

You are of course all aware of the rupture brought to our peaceful way of life by the 11 September terrorist attacks in the United States. Maybe you lost friends or even relatives. Our world has not only been badly shaken by those attacks; it has also become a more dangerous world, where personal and collective security have to be especially protected. I would like to tell you that the Embassy has been monitoring the situation in New Zealand and in the world very closely since 11 Septem-

Still, this is happily not the case thus far, and I note that, at least in Wellington, the pre-Christmas spirit is absolutely unbroken. This certainly goes for me and my husband, as well as for the Embassy team. Bernadette Hunkeler Brown, Lilach Guitar Nunêz, Louise Beale and Gabriela Hewson-Isenschmid all join me in wishing you all a Happy New Year for 2002.

(Lower Hutt, 8 November 2001)



