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## Commonwealth Games: Maribyrnong netballer flags a fine time at Glasgow

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Maribyrnong Secondary College Commonwealth Class winner Arabella Williams (right) and teacher Fiona Walker. Photo: Wayne Hawkins

Maribyrnong College's Arabella Williams will be flying the flag for the west at the 2014 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow, starting on Thursday (Melbourne time).

The year 9 student was last week named winner of the 'Commonwealth Class' competition, for which she designed a flag to be flown at the Games.

The competition was part of an interactive learning project involving more than 100,000 schools around the Commonwealth.

Arabella's flag depicts two hands coming together over the sea, one black and one white, and lists all the countries of the Commonwealth.

Arabella, who plays netball for the college's sports academy, will head to the Scottish capital with teacher Fiona Walker for a week to soak up the atmosphere of the Games and meet with student representatives from other countries.



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Arabella has won an international competition to design the flag for the Commonwealth Games.

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## Glasgow to fly Arabella's gold-winning flag

IT WON'T only be the athletes flying the flag for Australia at the Commonwealth Games.

Maribyrnong College's Arabella Williams has won an international student competition to design a flag

that will be unfurled at the opening ceremony.

Arabella, 14, with her teacher Fiona Walker will attend the ceremony and other sporting events in Glasgow after she was announced the winner of

the Commonwealth Class competition.

Arabella, who was overcome with excitement, said she wanted to reflect this year's motto, Humanity, Equality and Destiny, in her design.

"I have used a globe and inside have alphabetically listed the countries that have participated from all around the world," she said.

"The coloured hands acknowledge the diverse cultures and nationalities."



