

2019 DMPA Results

Upper Primary

RUNNER-UP

Henry Maning, 11
The Cottage School
Bellerive, TAS

"I think my teacher is Cinderella"

It's not just
that she drives to school in a carriage,
or that she wears a tiara.

It's not just
the way she mops the floor
and lets us treat her like a slave.

It's not just
the way she talks to mice
or when she chats to the prince she blushes.

What gives her away
at the end of the day
is how she leaves
her glass slipper at the gate.

Judge Comment:

Perfect use of repetition and rule of three. Every word working to earn its place. The rhyme to build to climax. And humour!