

Dylan wins Easter egg competition



WINNER: Dylan receives his Easter egg from Reggie the Rabbit and Mana Education's Kerry Thomas.

A PUPIL from Highlees Community Primary School has beaten competition from youngsters in three counties to win an egg-citing Easter present.

Before the Easter holidays, 800 children from 15 schools across Cambridgeshire, Northamptonshire and Rutland were challenged to design their dream Easter egg.

Dylan Kochanowski (10) designed a feathered egg that looked like it had just hatched from a chicken.

The event was organised by Mana Education who provide Supply Teachers to both primary and secondary schools across Peterborough.

They said they had a very difficult task in choosing a winner before deciding on Dylan's entry.

Kerry Thomas, education consultant for Mana Education, said: "It was very tough. The standard was very high indeed.

"We felt that Dylan's design was fabulous and really captured the spirit of Easter as well as being a lot of fun."

Kerry Thomas and Mana Education's mascot Reggie the Rabbit made a surprise trip to Highlees Community Primary School, in Ashton Road, Westwood yesterday.

He may not be the Easter bunny, but Reggie still presented Dylan with a specially designed Thornton's chocolate Easter egg during an all-school assembly.

Kerry added: "Reggie told me that the reception he received from the children was egg-strordinary."

Dylan's school also received £100 worth of book vouchers from Mana Education thanks to his winning entry.

Dylan's teacher Siobhan Keddie said: "The children were very excited, although at first they were a bit confused when the rabbit came into the assembly.

"They didn't know he was coming in and we kept it as a big surprise.

"Dylan knew he was going to be in the newspaper and he has been asking me all week about why that is happening.

"When he found out it was because he had won the Easter egg prize he was very shocked and really happy.

"The school would also like to thank Mana Education for the book vouchers."