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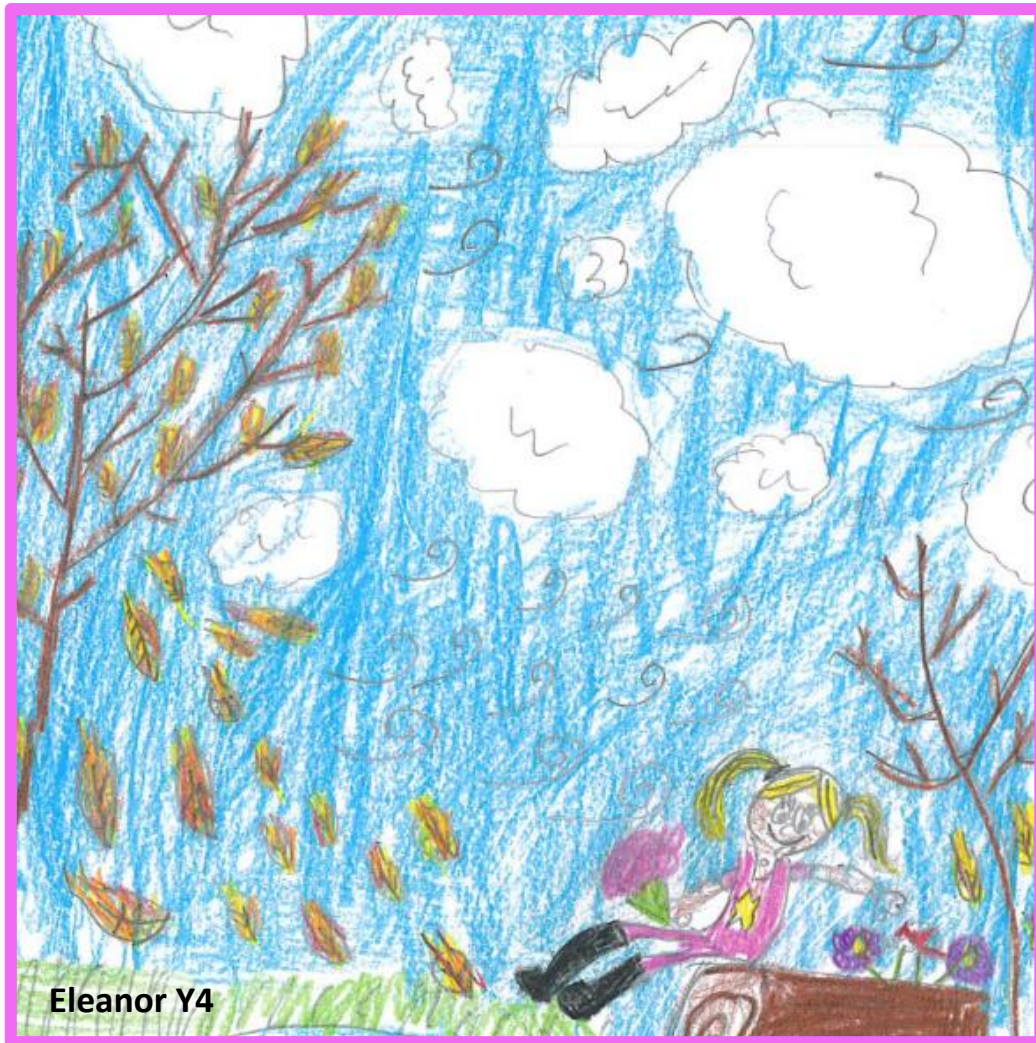
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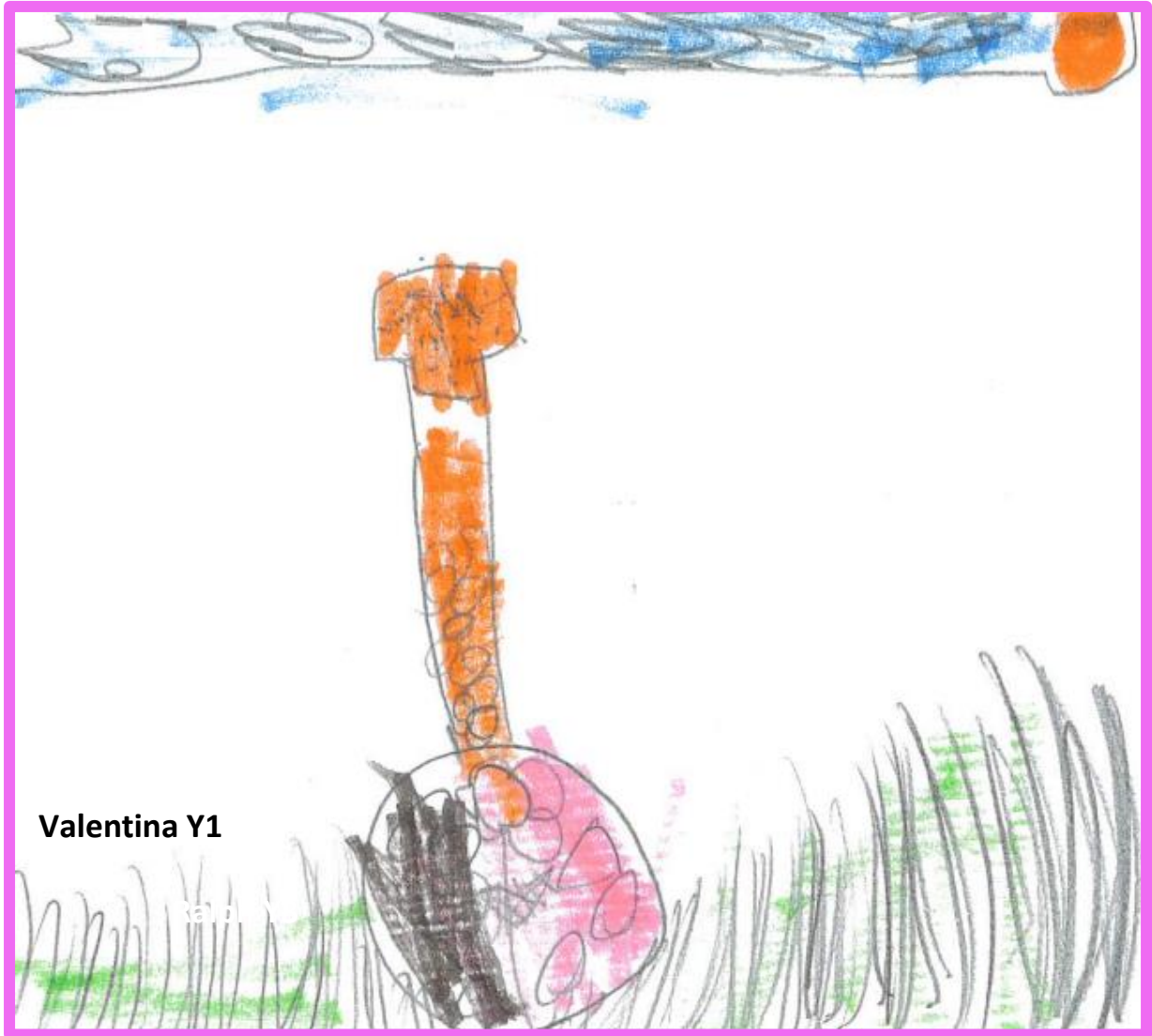
Whole School Book

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Leopards

One ordinary cold Thursday afternoon, Flo, a six-year-old girl like any other, was walking peacefully beside a broad lake. Suddenly, she tripped over some poisoned ivy. She looked down and saw on her skinny, pale legs were small, red and bumpy spots. It stung like little prickles in her skin, causing her to gasp in shock. She dipped her itchy legs into the icy water of the lake for relief but without warning, she noticed that tiny ruby red flowers were sprouting out of the spots and growing rapidly all over her legs. She couldn't bear the sight of it; it was like a nightmare come true.



Valentina Y1

Eagles

Flo sat down on the soft grass in panic, she didn't know what to do! Suddenly, she noticed something glinting in the sunlight. It was a fancy-looking glass bottle decorated with intricate flowers and inside was a gloopy, green liquid. It was labelled 'flower-pox antidote'. Flo realised that this potion might help stop the flowers growing on her legs! She popped off the glass stopper and glugged down the fizzing liquid. It burnt her throat and tasted of disgusting watery cucumber...



Delilah-Mae Y3

Panthers

Suddenly Flo began to feel her legs tingle as the ruby red flowers quickly faded before disappearing completely. She leant down to touch her legs to check the flowers had really gone. As Flo reached down, her stomach started to gurgle. She began to splutter and choke uncontrollably, globs of the frothing, gloopy green antidote potion splattering all around her. It was at that unfortunate moment that a little boy appeared in front of her. Flo covered her face in embarrassment. A couple of minutes passed. As Flo's stomach stopped gurgling, silence filled the air. Sensing that the boy was still there, Flo slowly removed her hands to apologies. It was then that an illuminous green light blinded her. The boy's face was glowing!



Faith Y5

Sharks

Flo stepped back in surprise, squinting at the light spilling from the boy.

“Who are you? What are you?” questioned Flo.

“I am the son of the Sun and I have come to help,” he replied, his voice a quiet whisper.

“Help with what?” Flo was extremely confused. The boy smiled and hovered his hands over the soil. Flowers burst from the ground, a colourful explosion of beautiful petals. Flo was so astonished that her breath left her body in a gasp. The flowers continued to grow and spilled onto her feet.



Evie Y1

Hawks

The flowers began to grow across Flo's legs and soon the rest of her body. Flo thought this was unacceptable!

"I have just gotten rid of the flowers and now there are more!?"

She started to get angry. She sprinted to her house with the son of the Sun and decided to make her own potion. She took whatever she could find including: some juicy strawberries, yummy raspberries, red and green leaves, a funny mask, a fish, a television and a cockroach and mixed them up. The potion was complete. Flo couldn't wait and slurped up the whole potion! The son of the Sun looked at Flo and couldn't believe what he saw...

Aayan



Rainbow

Flo had turned into a giant, beautiful sunflower! Bright yellow petals sprouted from her face. Green leaves grew from her legs. Flo felt happy but confused at the same time. She thought that the potion would get rid of all the flowers, not turn her into one! Suddenly she felt her leaves begin to droop and she realised that she needed water...



Garden

Flo travelled for ages trying to find a source of water. Then she came across crystal clear water in a lake with a waterfall gushing into it. She stepped into the lake and instantly grew, her leaves becoming greener with the nutrients. She spied a bridge and nervously walked across it towards an apple tree on the other side. Picking an apple from the tree, she took a big bite. When she looked back, the bridge had disappeared! How was she going to get back?



Harvey Y2

Falcons

Flo's heart raced as she realised that she was stranded on the other side of the lake. She clutched the half-eaten apple tightly, staring at the water where the bridge had been. The son of the sun hovered beside her, his glowing face calm and unfazed.

"How am I supposed to get back now?" Flo demanded, panic creeping into her voice.

The boy gave a small, mysterious smile. "The way forward is not always the same as the way back, Flo. Sometimes you must grow through challenges."

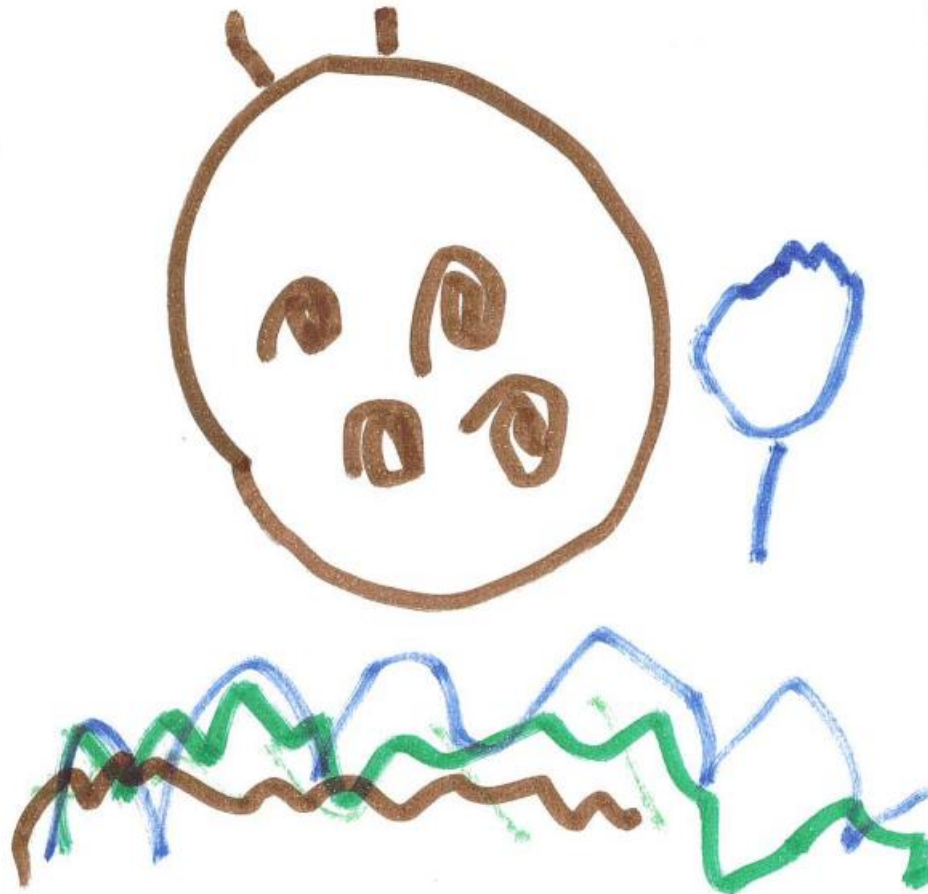


Rose Y4

Lions

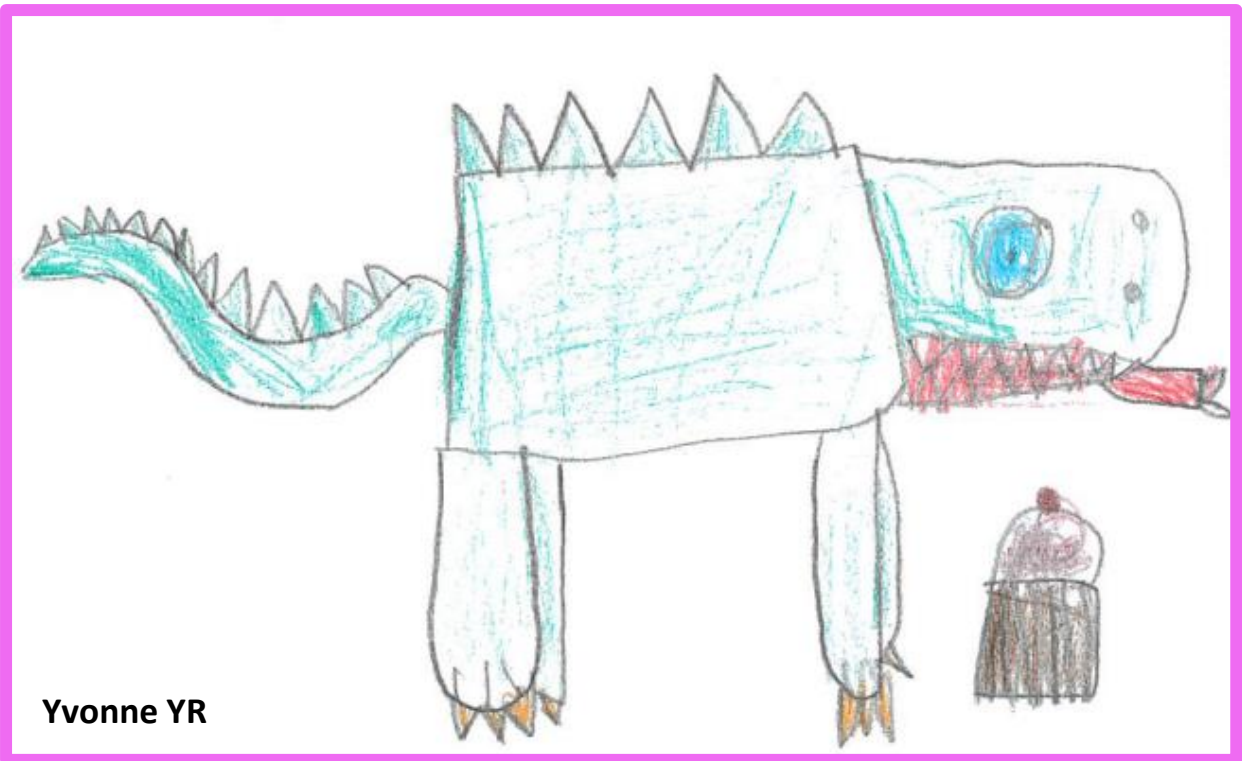
Flo stood as tall as Mount Everest, and as yellow as butter, pondering what to do next. As quick as a flash, clouds emerged in the grey, murky sky. The son of the sun was gone. "What am I going to do now?" Flo whispered to herself. Flo needs water and sun to grow. Now, there is no sun. Abruptly, Flo shrunk, smaller and smaller and smaller. She felt scared, anxious, terrified. Now as tiny as an ant, beside foot long grass, and deep, shimmering water. Will she ever find her way home?

Elliott YR



Sunshine

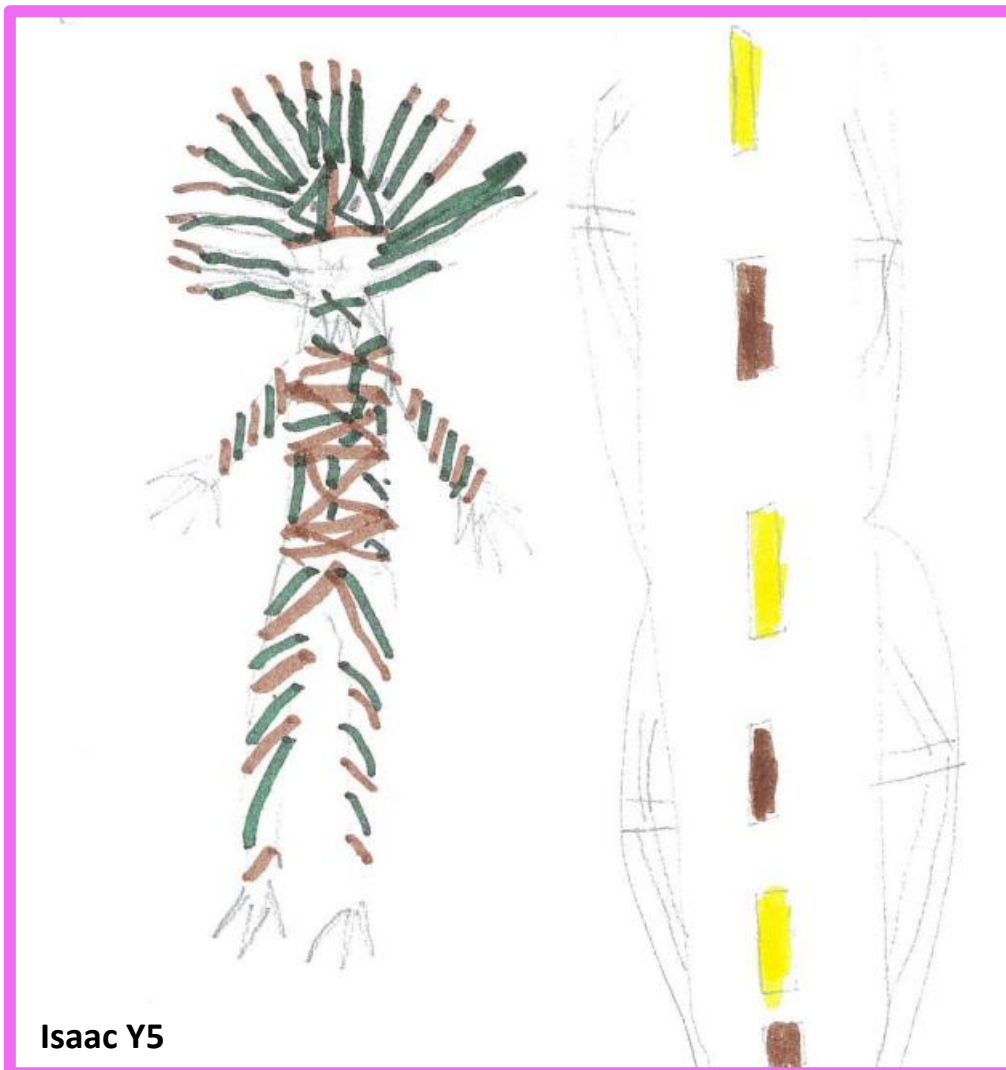
A little ladybird appeared through the swishy, swashy grass and said "I will be friends with you." She flapped her wings, pulled a tiny wand and said "Ziggety, ziggety zoom." Suddenly Flo grew back to her usual size!



Yvonne YR

Starlight

Flo was feeling sad because she really wanted to be a girl again and not a sunflower any more. A friendly crocodile called Mrs Crocodile offered her some cake, but she said "I don't need cake, I need sun and water!"



Isaac Y5

Dolphins

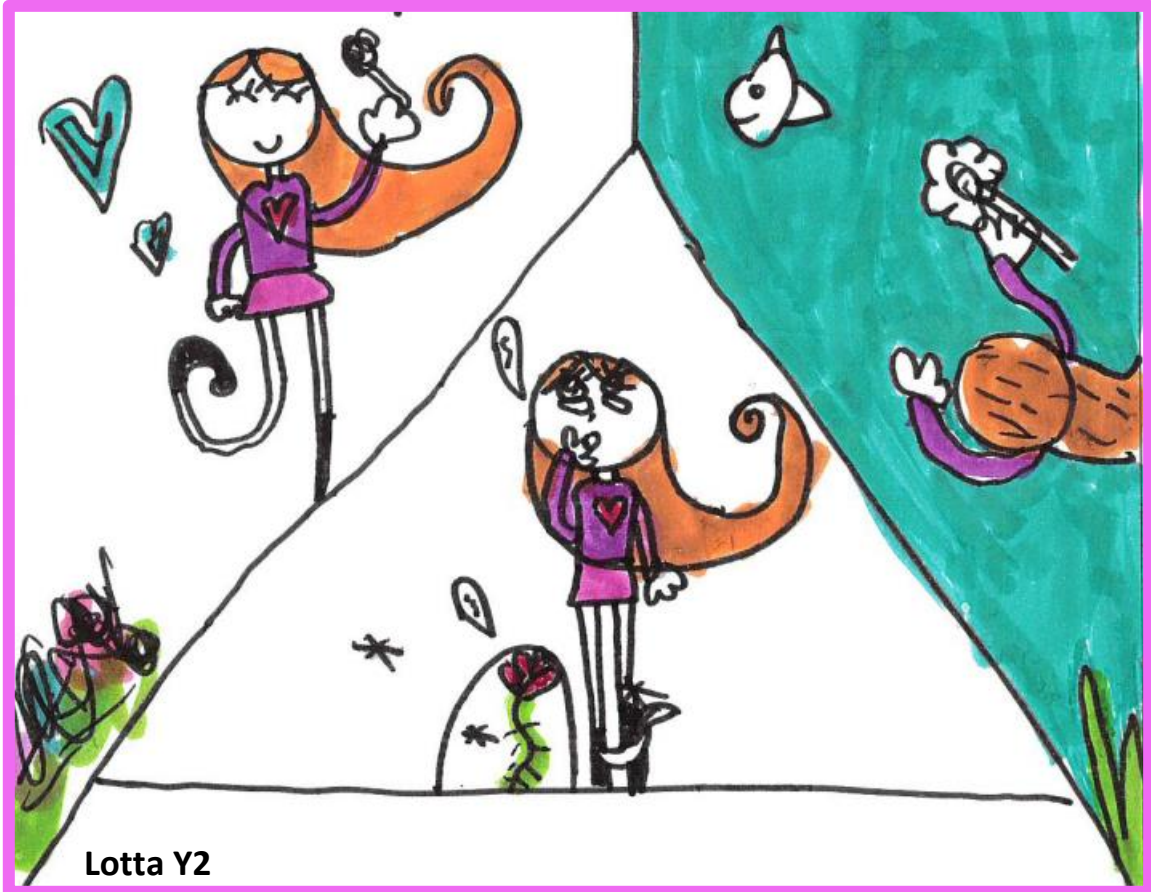
Flo thought over in her mind many times “sometimes you have to grow through challenges”. Suddenly, her roots grew as she took one brave step into the water. Her roots twisted and formed into a giant bridge. As Flo continued walking, she dramatically slipped down the edge of the bridge and fell into the glistening water. As she opened her eyes in the water she noticed that the bridge was never ending. She started to grow rapidly, as she did that she slowly faded into her original self.



Sana Y6

Starfish

It was as if Flo had been reborn. She swam hastily with Mrs. Crocodile as if she were falling down a waterfall, until she hit some rapid waters. The water miraculously turned into flowers and she hurtled down the rapids buoyed by soft petals and sweet smells. Every foot she fell, she discovered a new quality of her being. She felt as if the flowers had changed her.



Kites

Flo found a red poppy that gave her the power of love. Also, a dandelion allowed her to breathe under water. Finally, she found a sparkly pink rose that granted her three wishes. Flo was starting to see the good things the flowers could bring.



Olive Y3

Tigers

Flo thought carefully about her wishes. Her first wish was to get the Son of the sun to return. The moment she said her wish, her eyes were blinded for a minute by the Son of the sun appearing in front of her. He kindly offered to help her decide about her last two wishes. "Perhaps you could have a beautiful, rainbow coloured garden with every flower in the world," he suggested.

"That's a great idea!" replied Flo.

That moment, an enormous, verdant garden appeared in front of her. She realised that each flower gave her a different power. She had one wish left...



Stingrays

Flo's heart raced as she considered her final wish. She looked around at the magical garden, feeling the power of each flower. But she knew what she wanted most was not riches or superpowers, but a way to share joy with others.

With a deep breath, Flo made her wish: "I wish to share these magical flowers with everyone who needs a little happiness."

A gentle breeze swept through the garden, lifting petals into the sky. Flo watched as they floated away, each one carrying magic to someone in need. The Son of the Sun smiled beside her.

"Flo," he said, "you've grown in more ways than one."

Flo realized true power came from kindness. She was ready for whatever adventure awaited her.



Inspired by 'The Boy with Flowers in his Hair' & books about Frida Kahlo, Thameside Primary children have written this whole school book during our 2024 Book Week.



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