Safety for You and ME!



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In today's world, Safety, Security, and Emergency Preparedness are at the forefront of everyone's mind, especially parents. As parents, we want our children to be prepared for whatever may come their way. But how do we teach, even our youngest children, without scaring them?

"Safety For You and Me!" is designed for children ages 1-5. Through this story, children are taught the language to be used in the event of a violent intruder and the importance of listening to their teachers.

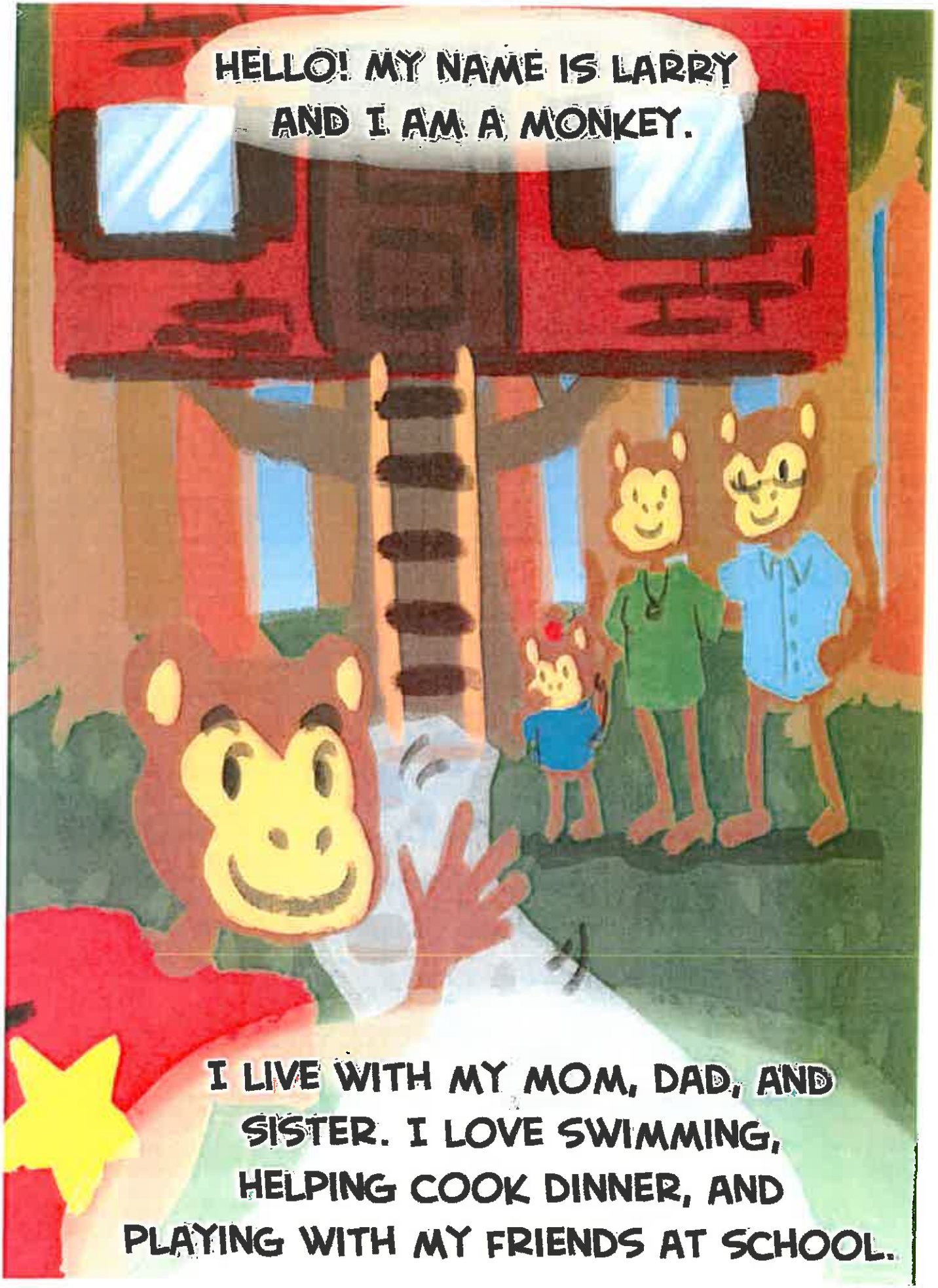
The Educator Manual is designed for teachers and administrators in an Early Childhood School setting. It helps schools be prepared for an emergency, gives tips for setting up a classroom, and provides sample letters to communicate with parents.

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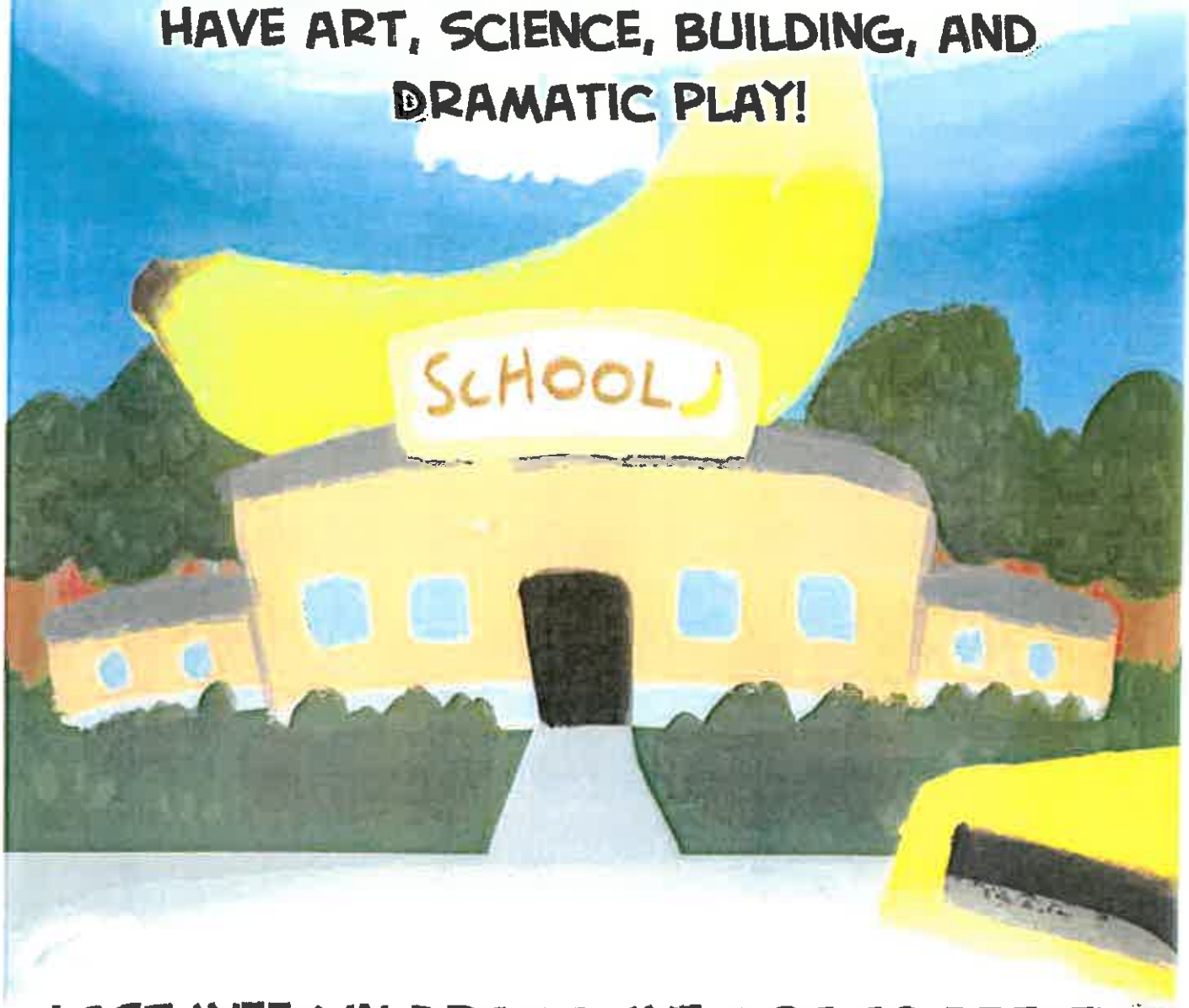
1. To Chief Richard Wallace and the ENTIRE Amberley Village Police and Fire Department staff. Their entire team, including the dispatchers and maintenance crew members are always there for EVERYONE!

2. The staff and students of the Mayerson JCC Early Childhood School who read through several drafts of this book until it was perfect!

3. My son and daughter, Cole and Sarit, who are the ultimate reason I do what I do and work to keep others safe!

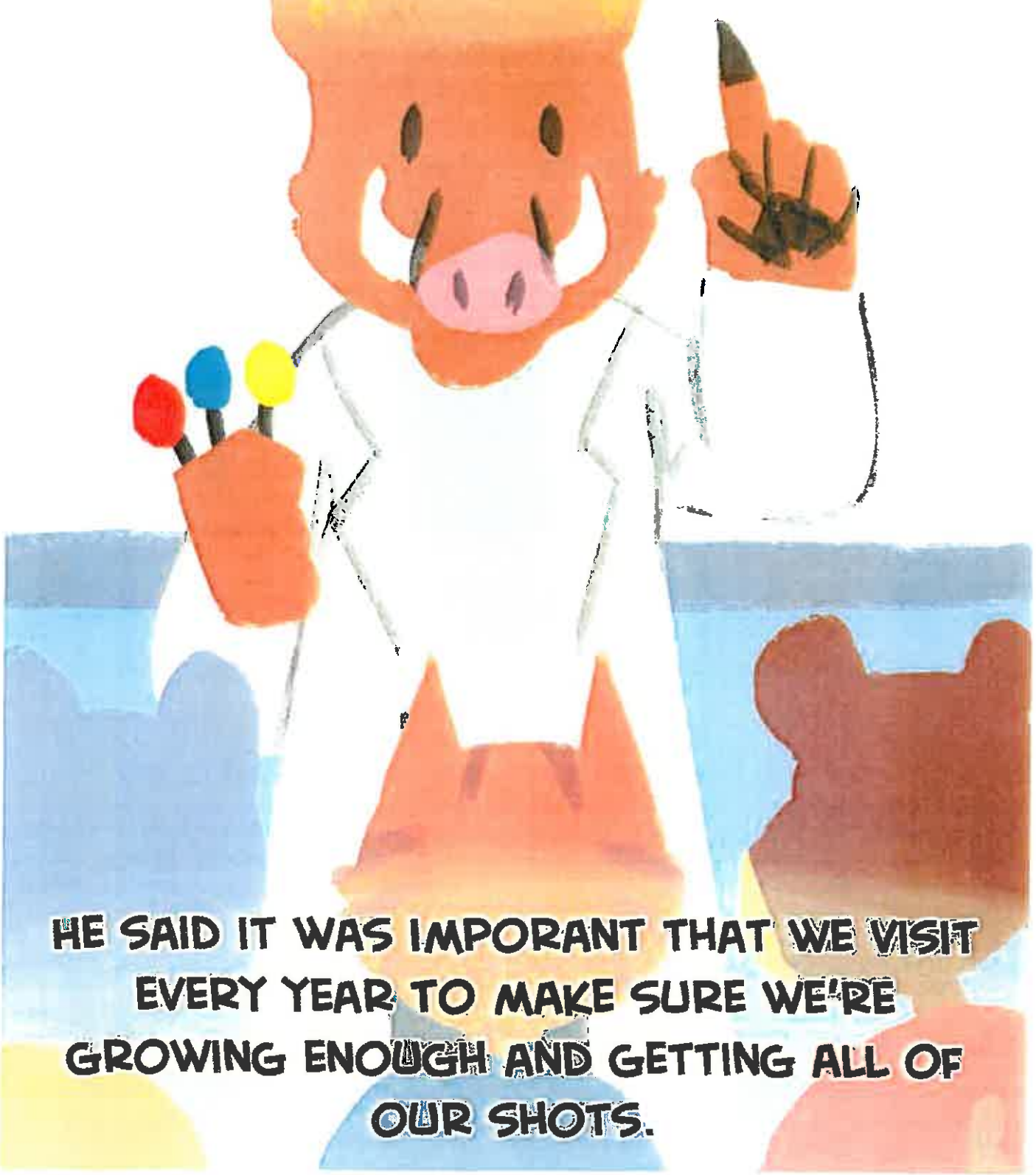

HELLO! MY NAME IS LARRY AND I AM A MONKEY.
I LIVE WITH MY MOM, DAD, AND SISTER. I LOVE SWIMMING, HELPING COOK DINNER, AND PLAYING WITH MY FRIENDS AT SCHOOL.

I GO TO THE BANANA SCHOOL WITH MY FRIENDS. OUR TEACHER IS MRS. GOODFELLA. IN OUR CLASSROOM, WE HAVE LOTS OF DIFFERENT CENTERS. WE HAVE ART, SCIENCE, BUILDING, AND DRAMATIC PLAY!

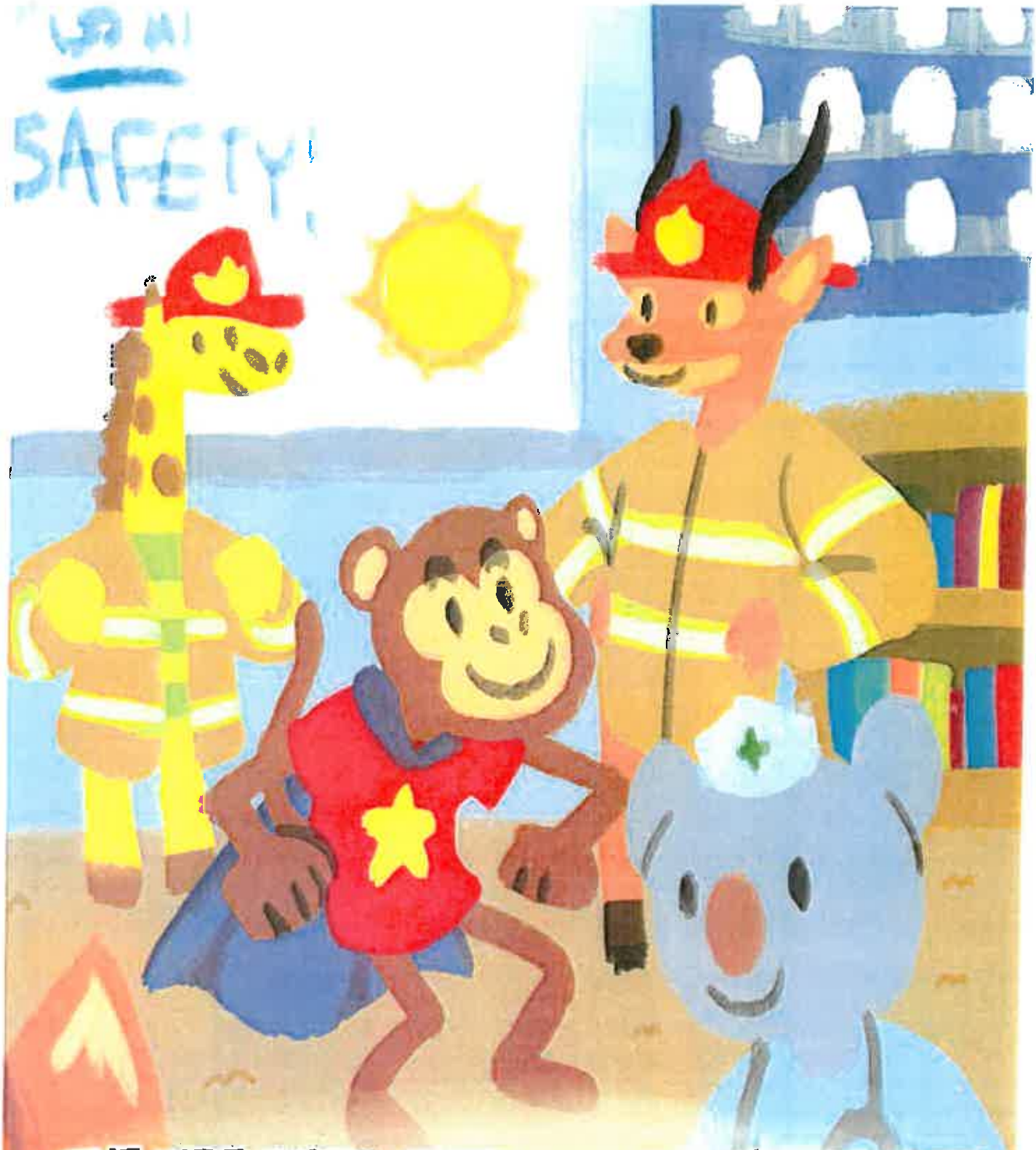


LAST WEEK IN DRAMA, WE GOT TO PRETEND TO BE HEROES, FIREFIGHTERS, DOCTORS, NURSES, AND POLICE OFFICERS.

MY FRIEND SAM'S DAD IS A DOCTOR. HE CAME TO OUR CLASS AND TALKED ABOUT HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO GO TO THE DOCTOR, EVEN WHEN WE AREN'T SICK.



HE SAID IT WAS IMPORANT THAT WE VISIT EVERY YEAR TO MAKE SURE WE'RE GROWING ENOUGH AND GETTING ALL OF OUR SHOTS.



THE FIRE CHIEF, CHIEF ____, COMES TO OUR SCHOOL EVERY MONTH TO WATCH US DO FIRE AND WEATHER DRILLS, AND REMINDS US TO ALWAYS LISTEN TO OUR TEACHERS.

THE POLICE CHIEF, CHIEF ____, CAME TO OUR CLASS TO TEACH US TWO NEW DRILLS, 'SAFETY INSIDE AND SAFETY OUTSIDE'

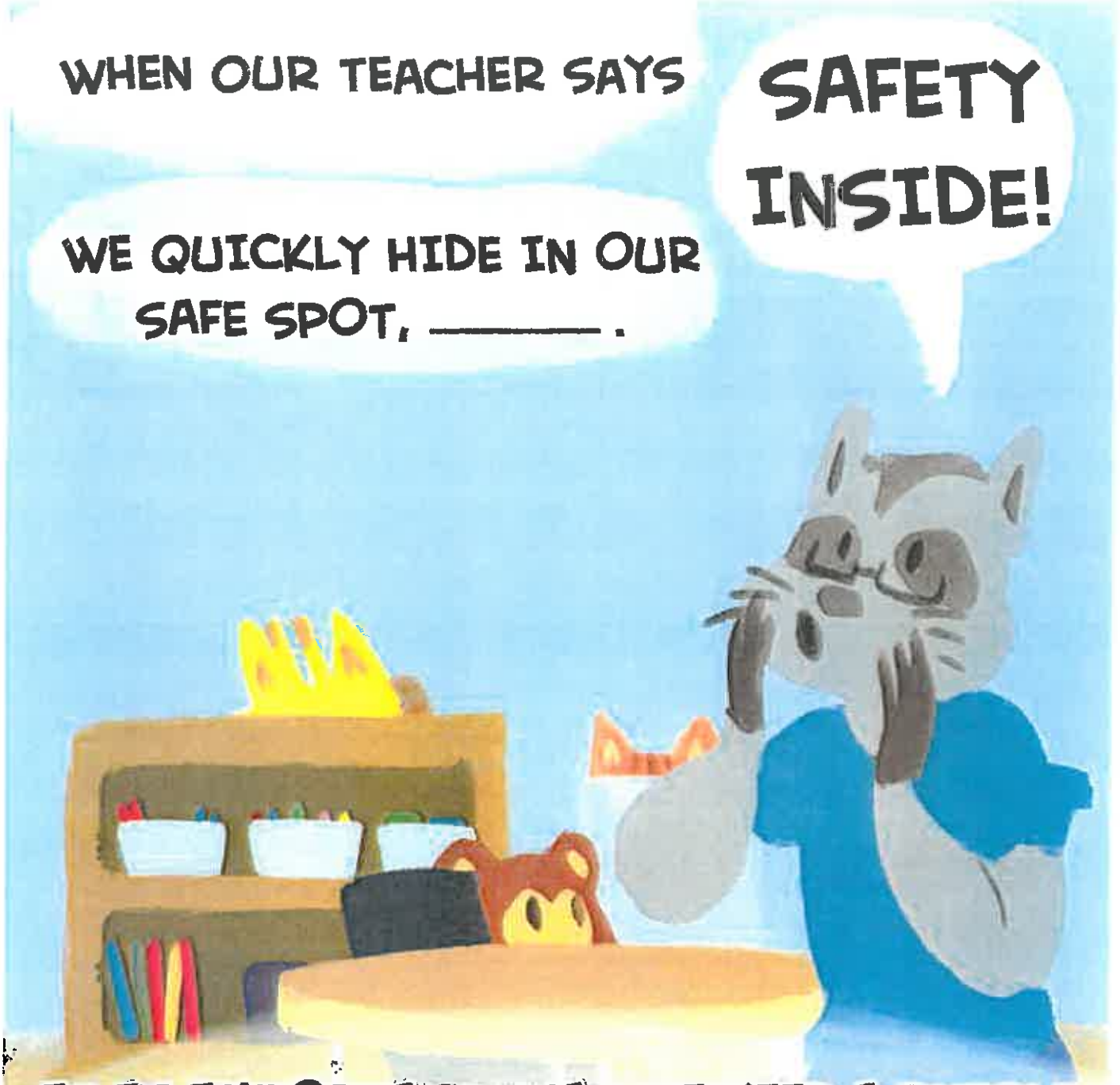


CHIEF ____ EXPLAINED THAT SOMEONE MIGHT DO BAD THINGS AND TRY TO HURT OTHERS. THEY SAID THAT IF SOMEONE TRIES TO HURT US AT SCHOOL, WE WILL KNOW EXACTLY WHAT TO DO WITH THESE DRILLS.

WHEN OUR TEACHER SAYS

SAFETY INSIDE!

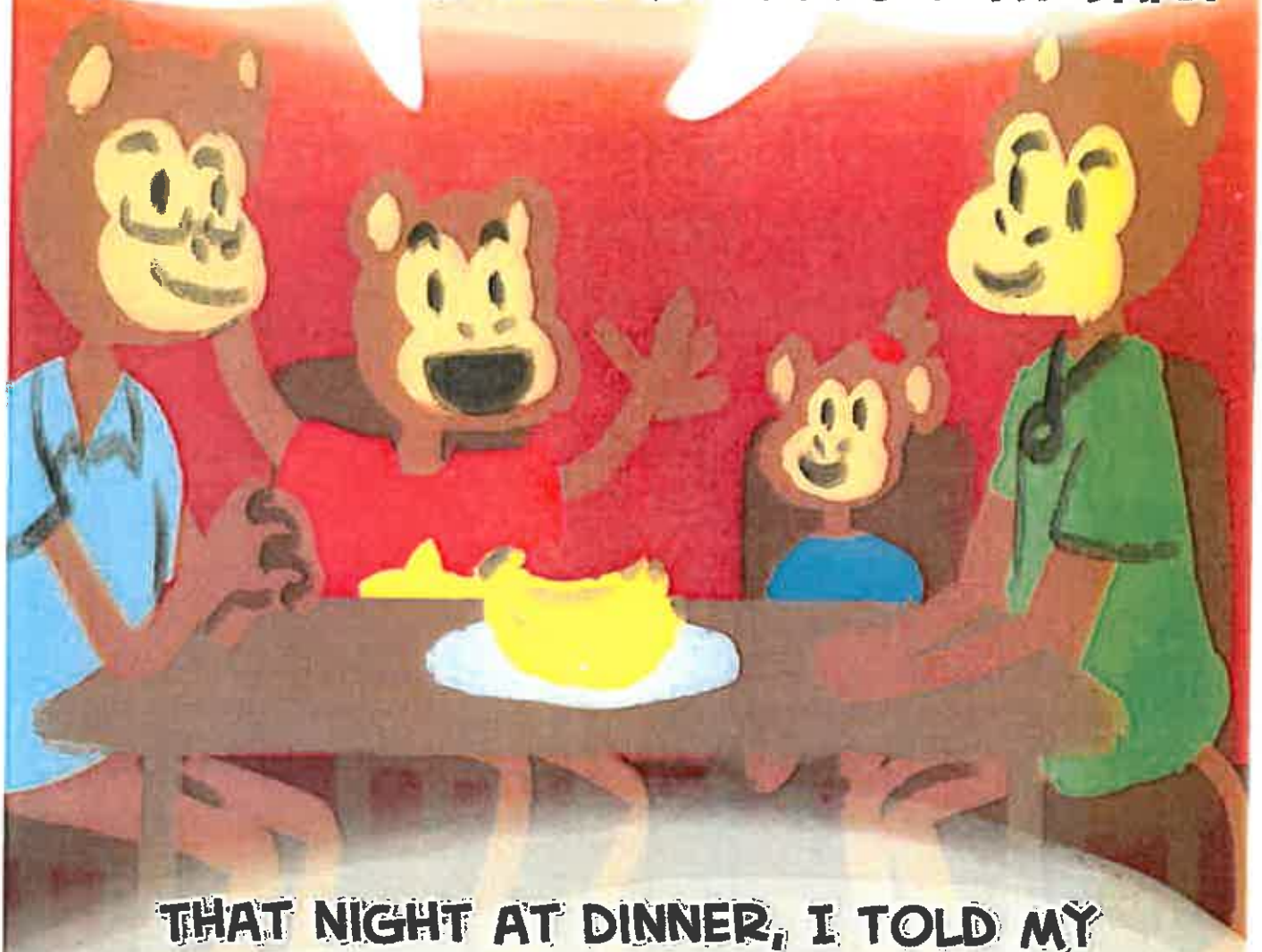
WE QUICKLY HIDE IN OUR SAFE SPOT, _____.



IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE KEEP A BUBBLE IN OUR MOUTHS AND DON'T MAKE ANY NOISE. OUR TEACHER WILL SHUT THE DOOR AND TURN OFF THE LIGHTS. THE CHIEF SAID THAT IF WE FEEL SCARED, WE SHOULD CLOSE OUR EYES AND THINK OF SOMETHING FUN.


WHEN OUR TEACHER SAYS
SAFETY OUTSIDE!
WE MUST RUN IN A ZIGZAG AS QUICKLY AS WE CAN TO THE OUTSIDE MEETING SPOT. OURS IS _____.
THIS IS THE ONLY TIME WE GET TO RUN IN THE HALLWAYS! SHE SAID IT'S GOOD IF WE GET TO THE MEETING SPOT FIRST, BUT WE HAVE TO WAIT THERE FOR HER.

CHIEF _____ PROMISED TO COME BACK EVERY MONTH TO WATCH US PRACTICE OUR DRILLS WITH OUR TEACHERS, AND SAID WE SHOULD TELL OUR MOMMIES AND DADDIES WHAT HE TAUGHT US SO THEY CAN ALSO STAY SAFE.



THAT NIGHT AT DINNER, I TOLD MY PARENTS ALL ABOUT SAFETY INSIDE AND SAFETY OUTSIDE. THEY TOLD ME THEY WERE PROUD OF ME FOR LISTENING TO MY TEACHER, AND I EVEN GOT EXTRA BANANAS FOR DESSERT!