

I WANT TO BE...

BY STUDENTS ACROSS THE SNOWY MONARO REGION, WITH HAN WORSLEY AND THE COUNTRY UNIVERSITIES CENTRE SNOWY MONARO.



What do you want to be when you grow up?

You might want to be diving under the sea, screaming around corners in a race car, or flipping through the air like an acrobat!

Read this book to see what more than 50 kids just like you said when we asked them...



Country Universities Centre SNOWY MONARO

The CUC Snowy Monaro, and the schools participating in this project, are situated across Ngarigo, Bidhawal, Walgalu, and Ngunnawal lands.

From the grassy plains to the rocky alpine, we respectfully acknowledge the Country on which we learn, work and gather. We recognise the deep and enduring connection of the custodians across all four Countries, and more broadly, of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across Australia.

We pay our respects to Elders past, present, and future.

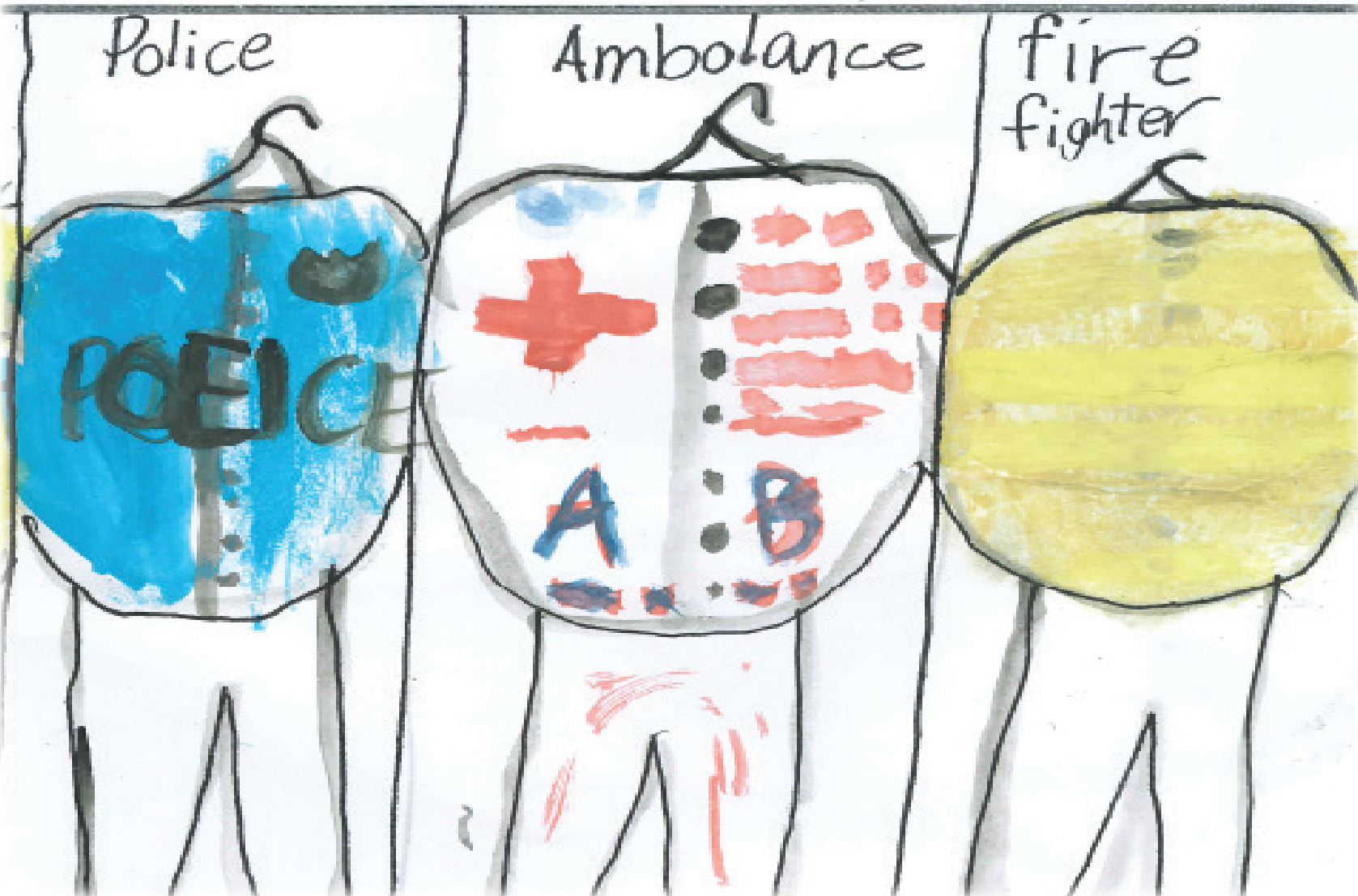
This land was, is, and always will be Aboriginal land.



It can be hard to know what you want to be when you are all grown up.



Like Ruby says - there are just so many options!



Maybe what you want to be is hard to say.

“I want to be a **herpetologist!**”
says Morrison.

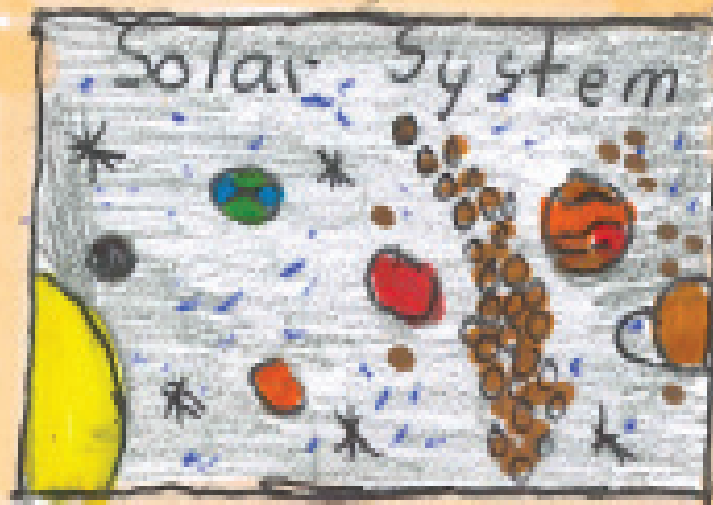
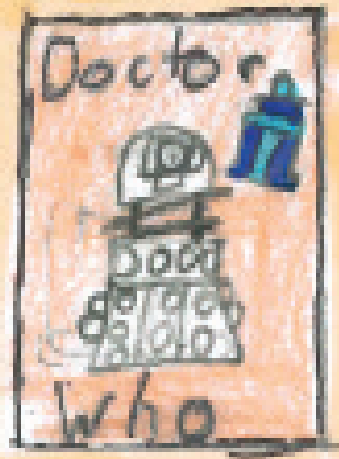


“A paleontologist!”
says Seth.



“What about an **astrophysicist?**”

says Arabella.

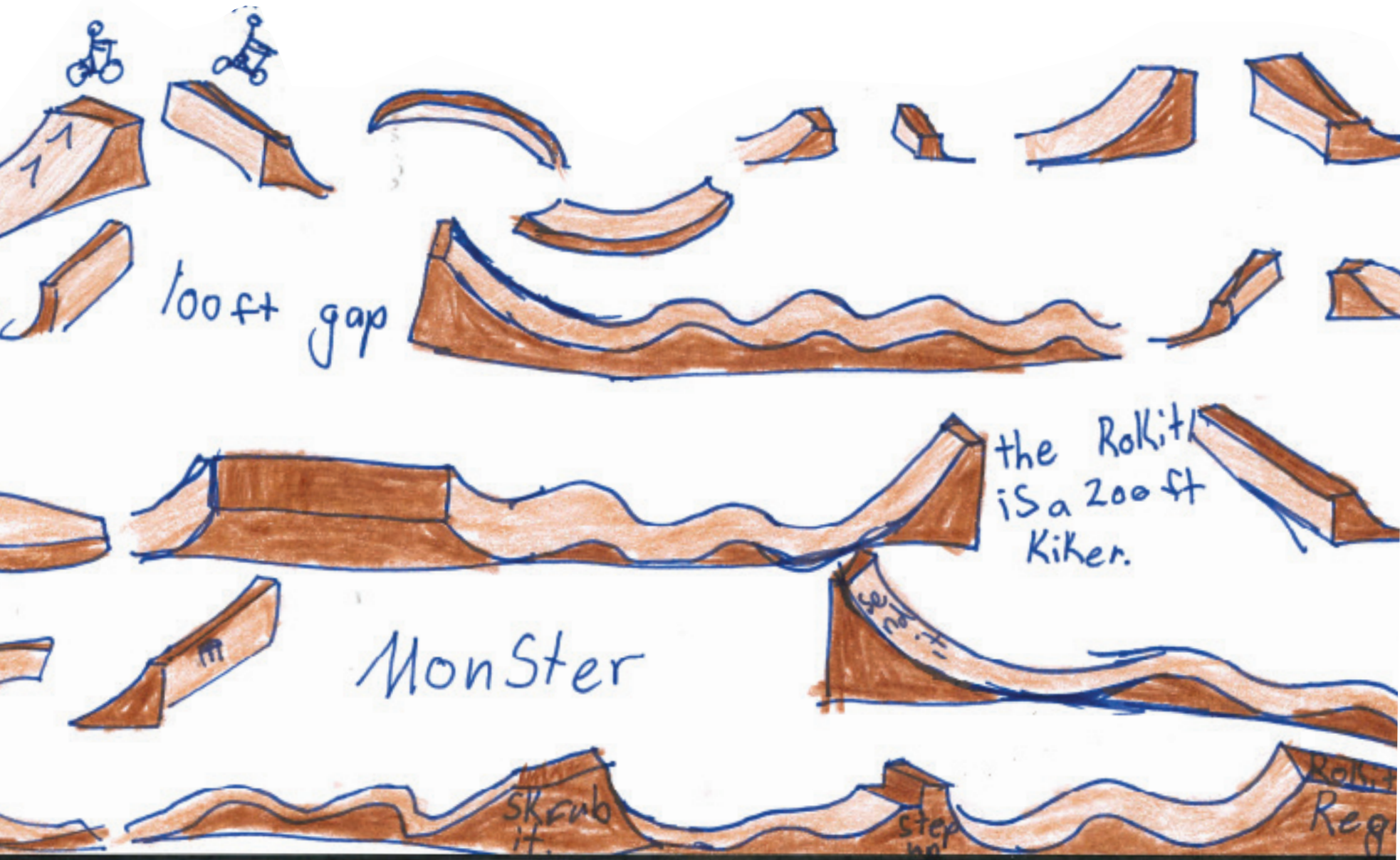


Can you say that one?



Maybe what you want to be isn't hard to SAY, but it is hard to DO!

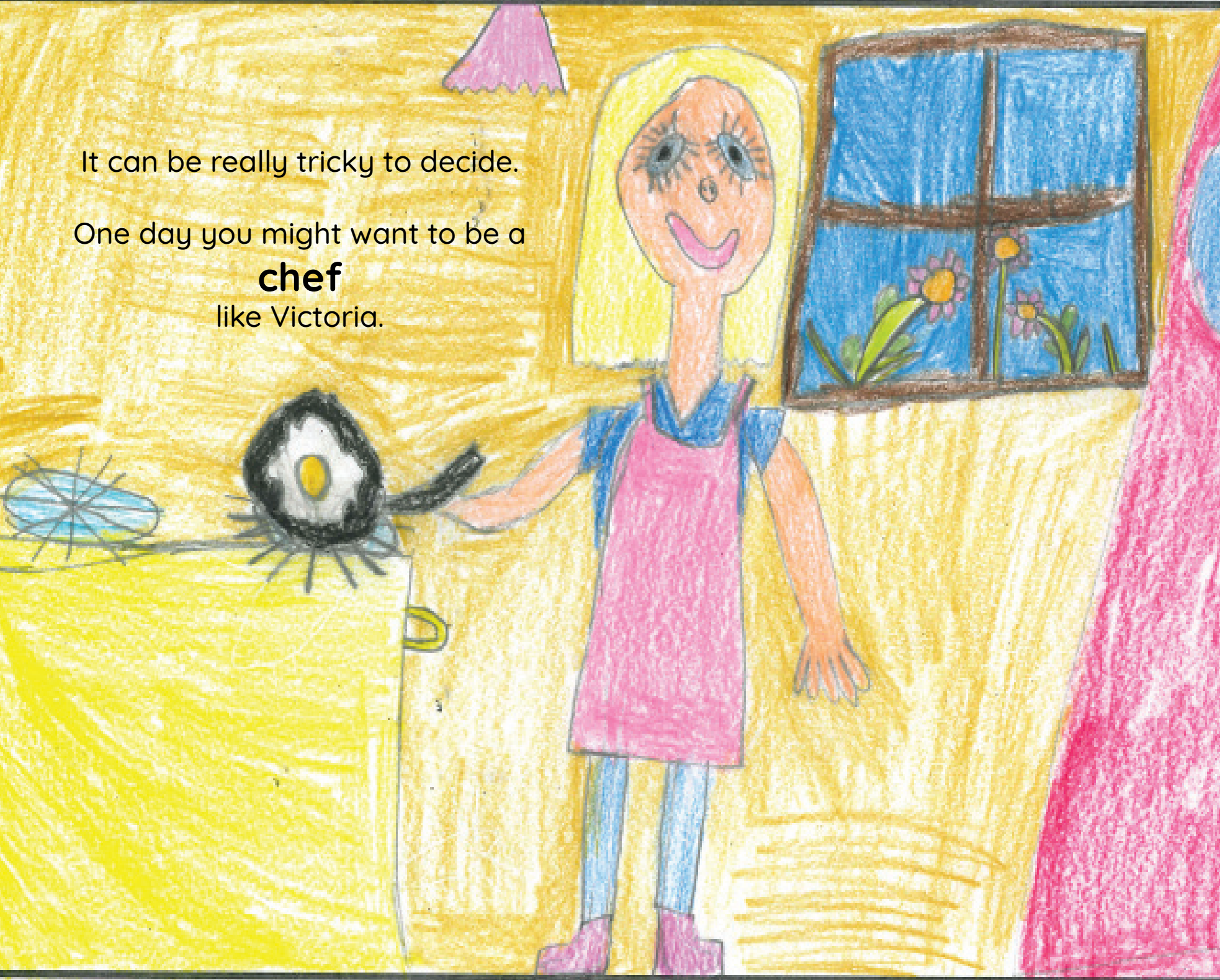
Maybe you want to be a **mountain bike instructor**, like Kale.



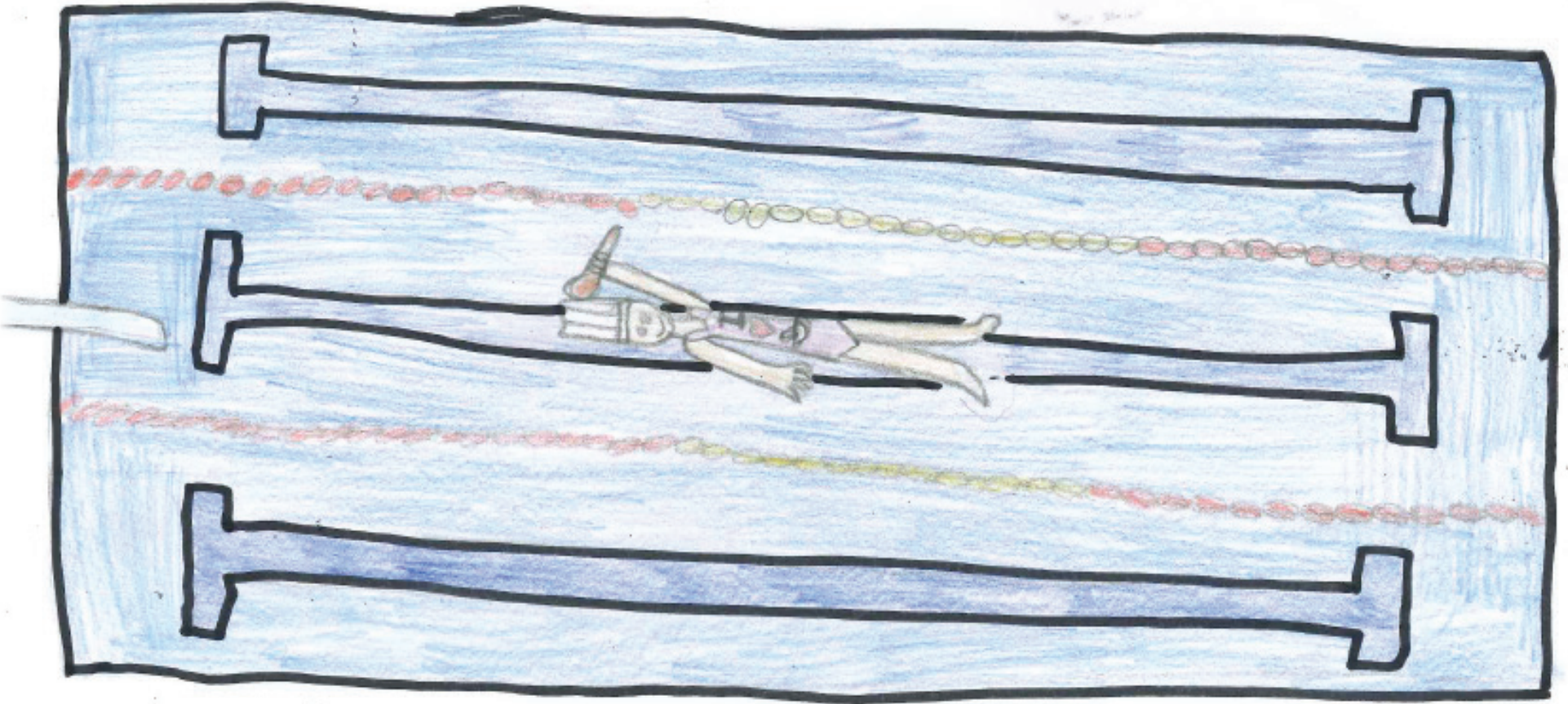
or a **singer**, like Gunara.



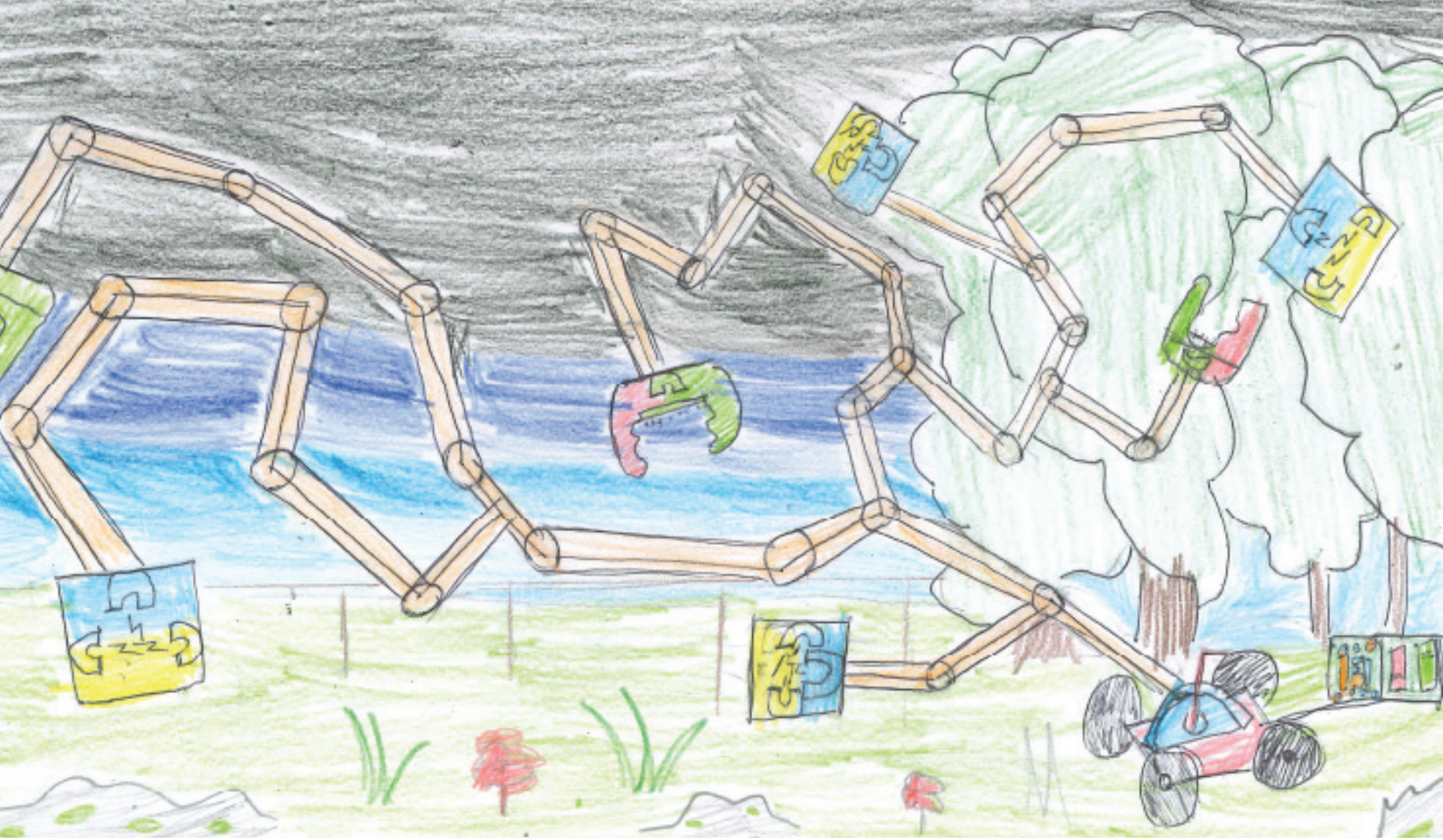
It can be really tricky to decide.
One day you might want to be a
chef
like Victoria.



But the next day you want to be an **athlete** as well.
Lucky, you don't have to choose, like Quinn.



That is a pretty funny looking swimming cap though....



Kids in the Snowy Monaro have big dreams!

Ben dreams of building **robots**. He might study
mechatronic engineering.

Zara wants to be an **art teacher**.

She could study education. Or education AND art! Double whammy!

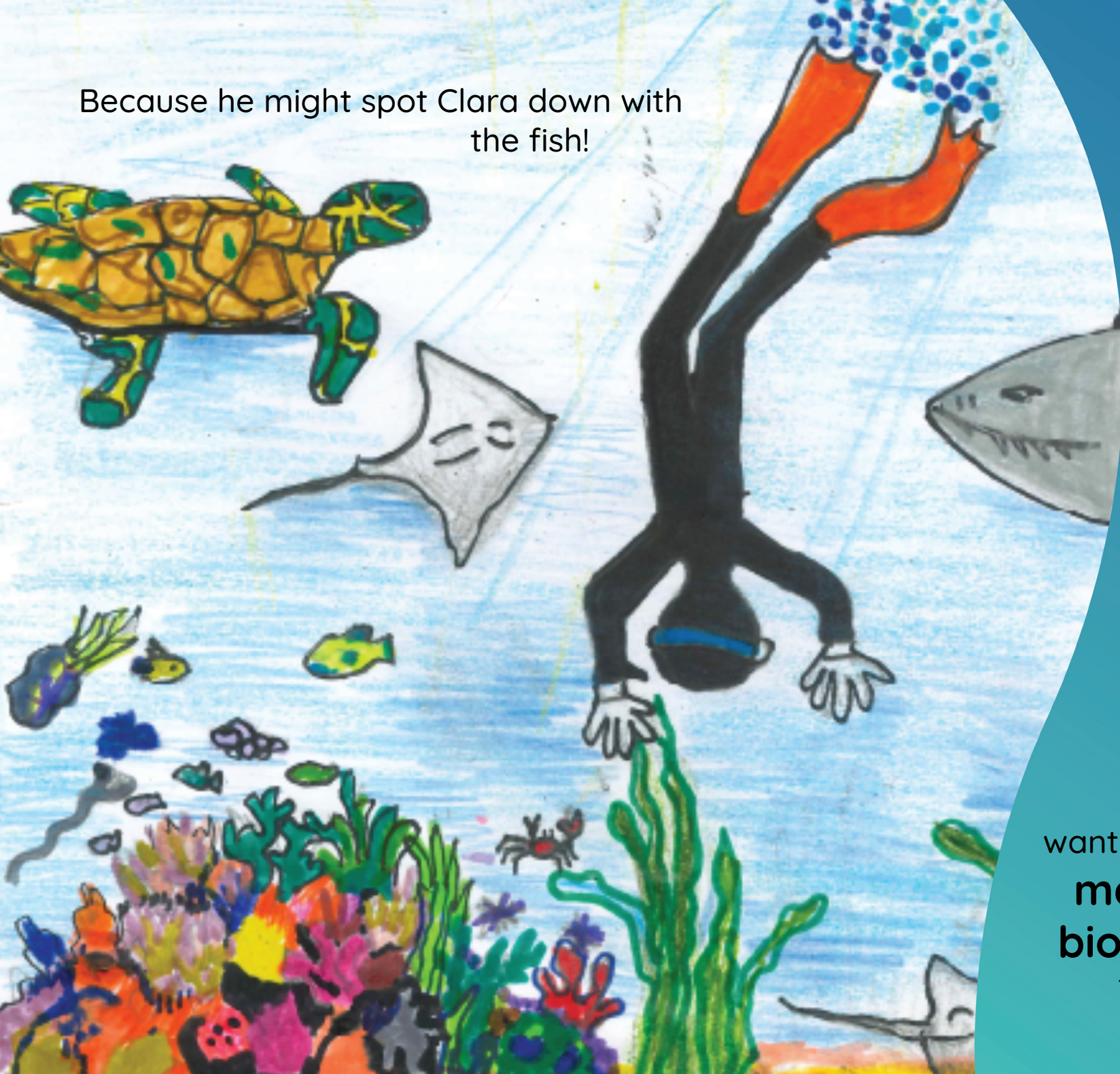


Marshall wants to be under the sea. He could study
marine biology.

And lucky he has such big
goggles....



Because he might spot Clara down with
the fish!



She
wants to be a
**marine
biologist**
too!

Up on land, Jackson wants to be a
soccer star!

He could study sports science to stay at the top of his game.



Riley prefers to let machines do the running around. He wants to be a **farmer.**

He could study agronomy to keep his crops healthy.





From Nimmitabel
to
Adaminaby...



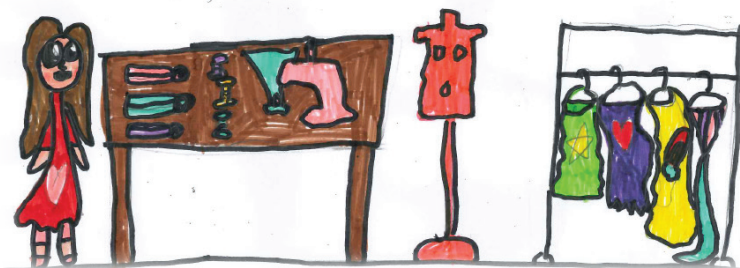


Bombala
to
Berridale...



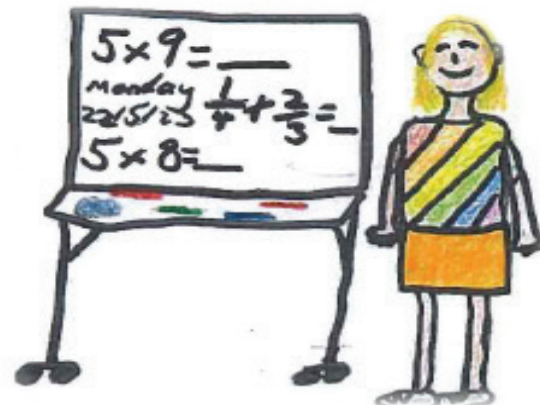


and **everywhere**
in between...





we can be
ANYTHING!



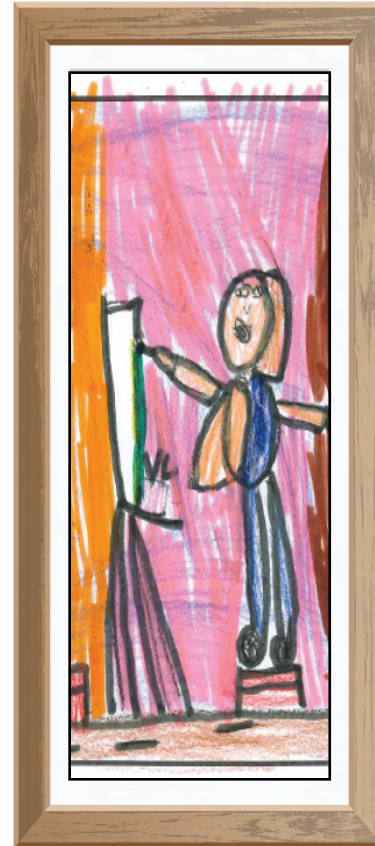
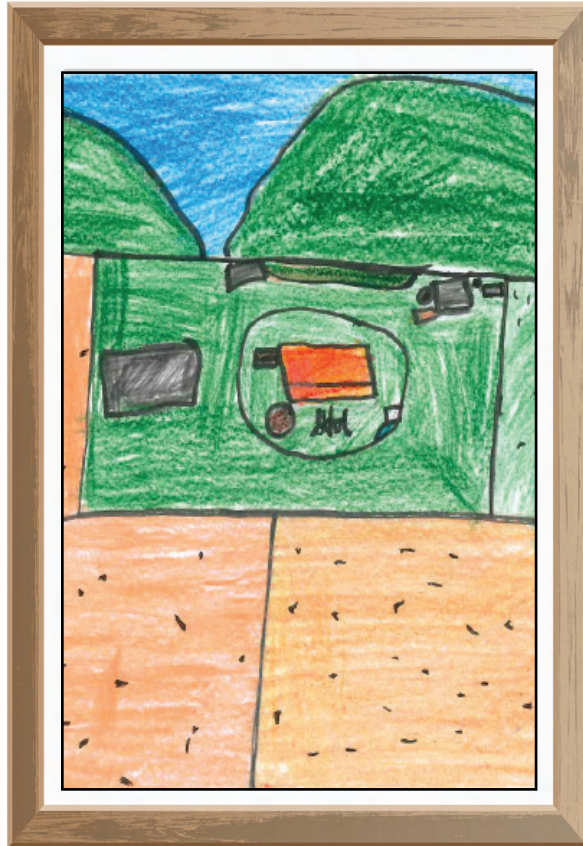


So, tell me...





What do you want to be?



Thanks to our community judges who had the very tricky job of choosing the featured illustrations:

Glenys Maddren - President, Rotary Club of Cooma

Emily Perkins - Qualified Illustrator and CUC student

Wendy McDougall - Photographer and Raglan Gallery volunteer



Congratulations to the featured students! You can see the full list of illustrators on the following pages, who come from:

Adaminaby Public School
Berridale Public School
Bombala Public School
Bredbo Public School
Cooma Public School
Cooma North Public School

Delegate Public School
Jindabyne Public School
Nimmitabel Public School
Snowy Mountains Christian School
St Joseph's Primary School Bombala
St Patrick's Parish School Cooma



A large group of students and two adults are posing for a group photo in front of a brick school building. The students are arranged in several rows, some sitting on stone steps and others standing. They are wearing dark blue school uniforms with a crest on the chest. Two adults, a man and a woman, are also present. The background shows a brick building with large windows and the words 'PUBLIC' and 'SCHOOL' visible on the facade. The year '1877' is also visible above one of the windows.

Winning Students

Ruby Huynh, Grade 4
Morrison Lyons, Grade 2
Seth Lennon, Grade 2
Arabella Andrews, Grade 6
Kale Paxton, Grade 5
Gunara Abeysinghe, Grade 4
Victoria Groves, Grade 3
Quinn Lawley, Grade 5
Benjamin Kamenyitsky, Grade 5
Zara Preston, Grade 3
Marshall Pirozzi, Grade 3
Clara Stefanetto, Grade 6
Jackson Sweeney, Grade 3
Riley Hall, Grade 5
Sam Dowe, Grade 4

Highly Commended Students

Sophie May Shannon
Sid Stephens
Paisley Hall
Dian Jacobs
Sierra Martin
Shayla Stewart
Maya Williams
Annalise Musengi
Katinke Biffin
Isiah Paisley
Leo Martin
Winnie Willett
Ava Frezza
Lewis Maguire
Liam Guthrie
Lilly O'Brien
Samuel White
Bentley Chambers
Kyder Reed
Hugo Bateman
Luke Cook

Izac Tozer
Aisha-Juliet Moon
Zainab Salman
Will Lucas
Ava Harriden
Tamsyn Stephenson
Wils Larkin
Charisma Abrokwhah
Abeera Naveed
Ayra Ghassah
Lachlan Woods
Maisie Aitchison
Dilmina Sooriyabandara
Phillipa Clark
Minke Biffin
Yasasiru Ganethige
Ava Andrich
Abbey Gilbert
Claire Cox
Makenzie Clark



You can't be what you can't see - students on the Snowy Monaro deserve to see their dreams as attainable!

To celebrate 10 years of supporting people in Snowy Monaro communities to live, study, and work locally, the Country Universities Centre Snowy Monaro is proud to release "I Want To Be..." - a children's book featuring the aspirations and illustrations of local kids.

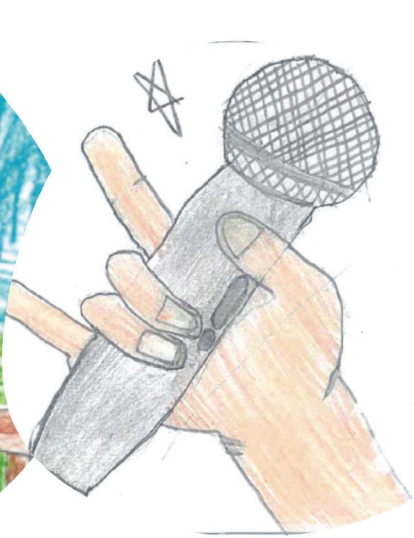
From Adaminaby to Bombala, Nimmitabel to Jindabyne, and everywhere in between, 350 entries were distilled into 15 winners and 43 highly commended illustrations, as seen in this book.

CUC Snowy Monaro is a dedicated learning and study space in Cooma, in the Snowy Monaro region of New South Wales.

Our CUC is proudly one of a large network across Australia - and it all started here in Cooma! After we opened in 2013, the model has now grown to a network of 18 other locally owned CUCs in 23 different locations across NSW, Queensland and Victoria.

The CUC initiative enables regional and rural university students to study close to home in a campus-like environment with learning facilities, computers, wifi, printers, video conferencing and support staff - all for free!





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