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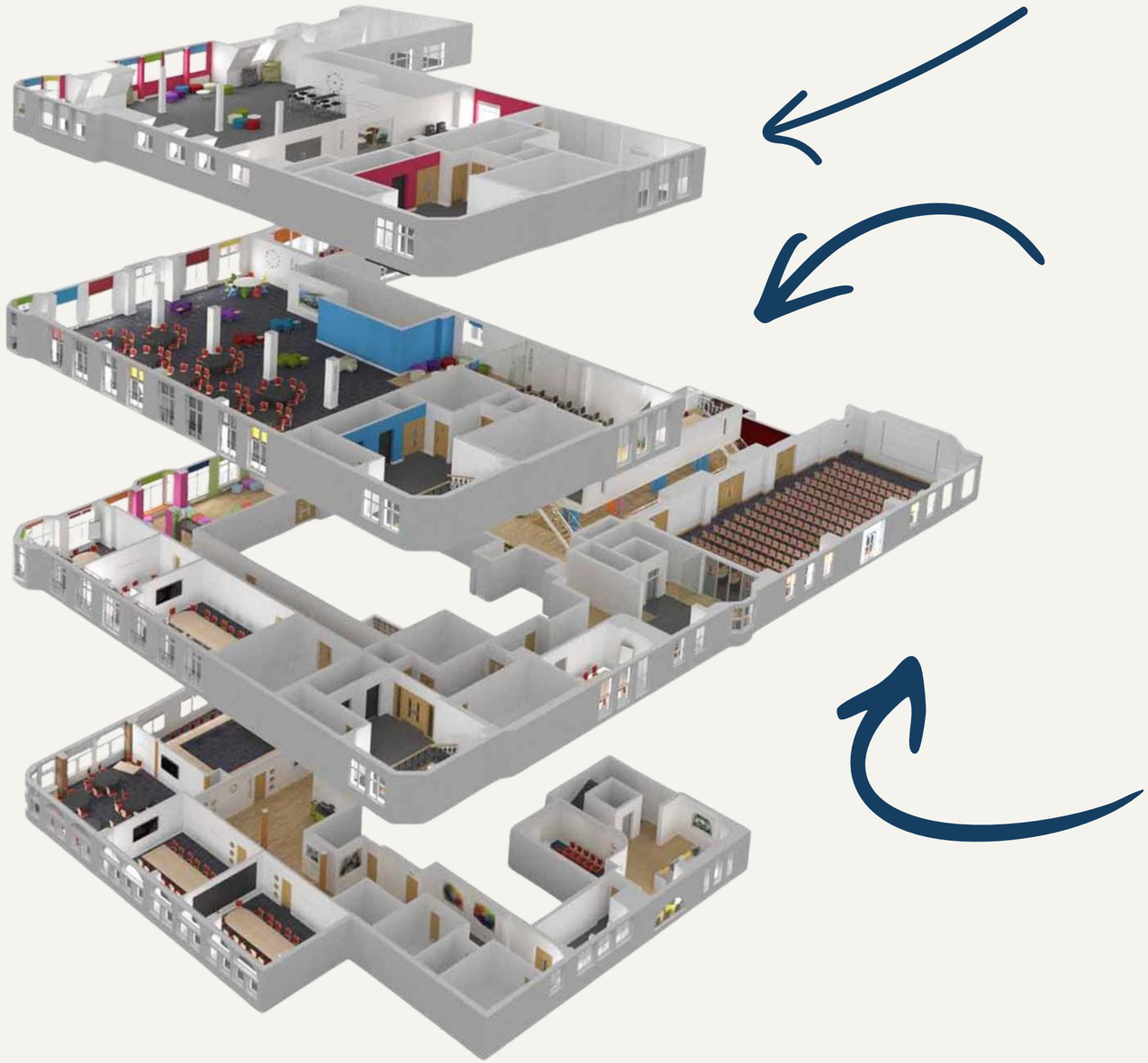

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IS NOT A MEDICAL STATISTIC

I CAN AMPLIFY VOICES

USING MY PLATFORM

HOLDING PEOPLE TO ACCOUNT.

IT'S ABOUT DOING IT

NEXT STAGES

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GOOD LIVES In 10 Years Time

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How it all began...

For a long time, people with learning disabilities have not been seen or treated as equals

I tried to change this by setting up People First England

Supported by Housing & Support Alliance

People First England and Housing & Support Alliance wanted to do more - something new.

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How it all began...

Change wasn't happening fast enough because people weren't working together.

Gary and the Housing and Support Alliance brought like-minded people together to create a movement for change.

These self-advocates, families and organisations worked with Gary and the Housing and Support Alliance to build Learning Disability England.

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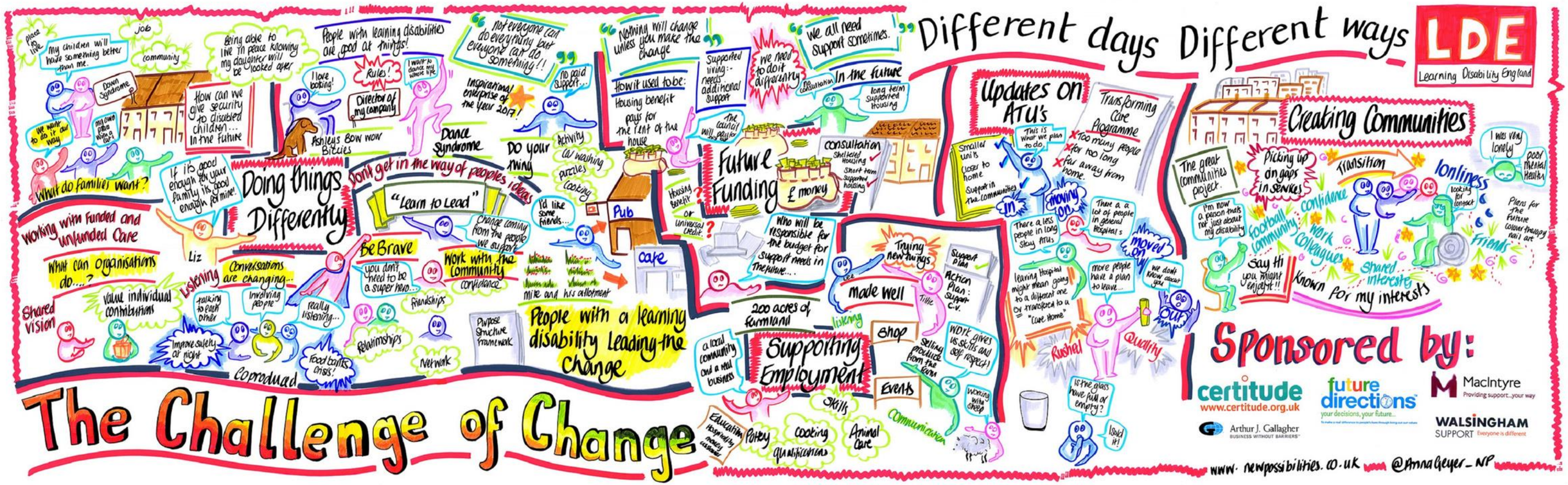
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The Challenge of Change
Doing things Differently
What do families want?
Working with funded and unfunded Care
What can organisations do...?
Shared vision
Value individual contributions
Listening
Conversations are changing...
Coproduced
People with learning disabilities are good at things!
Ashleys Bow wow Bitcies
Director of my company
Dance Syndrome
Don't get in the way of peoples ideas
"Learn to Lead"
Be Brave
Work with the community
People with a learning disability Leading the change
Not everyone can do everything but everyone can do something!!
Inspirational enterprise of the year 2017!
Do your thing
Pub
cake
Nothing will change unless you make the change
How it used to be:
Housing benefit pays for the rent of the house
Supported living:- needs additional support
Future Funding
£ money
consultation
Sheltered Housing
Short term supported housing
We need to do it differently
We all need support sometimes.
In the future
long term supported housing
Who will be responsible for the budget for support needs in the future...
200 acres of farmland
Supporting Employment
a local community and a real business
Education
Pottery
cooking qualifications
Animal Care
Skills
Communication
Trying new things
Support plan
Action Plan: Support C.V.
made well
Shop
Events
Selling produce from the farm
Work gives us skills and self respect!
Updates on ATU's
Smaller units closer to home
Support in the communities
This is what we plan to do.
Transforming Care Programme
Too many people for too long far away from home.
There a lot of people in general hospitals
Moving on
moved on
Learning Hospital might mean going to a different one or transferred to a "Care Home"
more people have a plan to leave...
Rushed
Quality
Is the glass have full or empty?
Creating Communities
The great communities project.
Picking up on gaps in services
Transition
Loneliness
I was very lonely
poor mental health
Plans for the future colour therapy can't art
Confidence
Football community
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Learning Disability England is Founded

2016

- Learning Disability England will be Led by people with learning disabilities, families and allies
- It was launched at the House of Lords.

Conference and Setting up

2017

- The annual conference was held in Birmingham.
- The organisation was still finding it's feet - people, families and supporters were not used to working together yet and finances were tight.

Supported Self-Advocacy Together

2019

Learning Disability England started working with 5 self-advocacy or human rights organisations as 1 of 7 **social movements for better health** that **Nesta** supported for a year.

The Covid-19 Pandemic Hit

2020

- Fortnightly online sessions helped members stay informed, connected, and resilient.
- Members succesfully campaigned for people with learning disabilities to be higher priority for vaccination.

The First Rep Body Elections

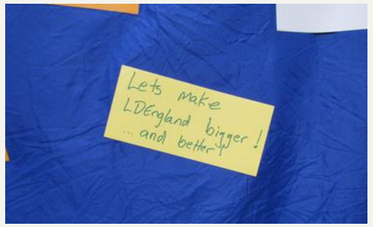
2017

To help ensure the organisation could be member led, a representative body was set up to guide priorities and make decisions.

The Rep Body Recruit Trustees

2018

- The 1st Chief Executive is recruited
- A new board of trustees was set up to help make sure Learning Disability England is well managed and meets is purpose.



The First Good Lives Meeting

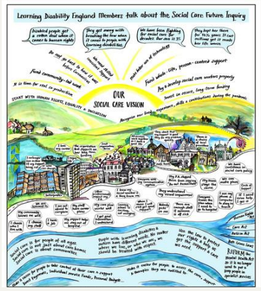
2020

40 self advocates came together in Birmingham to speak about what it will take for everyone with learning disabilities to be able to live their good life.

Members Contribute to the Social Care Future Inquiry

2021

The shared vision and actions were used to influence and contribute to the work of the Department of Health and Social Care, including development of the Health and Social Care White Paper.



The 'We Deserve Better' Project Begins

2022

Looked at the barriers that trigger people with a learning disability from ethnic minority backgrounds to die at an average age of just 34.
It made recommendations for policy, practice and research.

Co-leading on No Research About Us Without Us

2022

- Gary Bourlet becomes Colead on a project examining the barriers that stop research from including pcple with a learning disability.
- Produced tools and guidance to be used to help people carry out and take part in inclusive research.

Campaigning to stop misuse of DNAR and the Development of LeDeR

2020

- Members identified misuse of DNAR notices, partnered with the British Institute of Human Rights and created a DNAR toolkit with Turning Point.
- Members views were gathered to ensure the new LeDeR policy prioritised sensitive and authentic communication with bereaved families

The Good Lives Framework shared

2021

Lays out what people said they need to live well with ideas for change and examples of good practice.

The Valuing People Alliance continues, One of the VCSE Health and Wellbeing Alliance

Creation of the Cost of Living Hub and Housing Guide

2022

Three National member Conferences are held

2023

Learning Disability England held three national conferences in London, York and online with 440 attendees 62 speakers focused on Good Lives.

Annual conferences have continued to help make connection and change happen for members.

Big Organisational Priorities in a Vision for Change

2023

Rep body and trustees work together on a big plan that includes 4 big priorities Learning Disability England will work on to move towards it's vision for the future.

How We Survive and Thrive Project Begins

2024

Looks at how we can ensure people with learning disabilties are in the best place to survive and thrive if there is another pandemic.

The Good Lives Framework is Refreshed

2025

The Good Lives Framework, grounded in rights, lays out what people said they need to live well with ideas for change and examples of good practice.

Celebrating 10 years at the Being Seen, Being Heard Conference

2026

At the fastest-selling conference in Learning Disability England history, members celebrated how people with learning disabilities are being seen and heard in their communities..

The Good Lives Manifesto is produced

2024

- 400 members were part of making the manifesto, bringing people and organisations together on what they think are the most important priorities for the next government to take action on to make Good Lives possible.

New Trustees are Recruited

2024

Jordan Smith, Parmi Dheensa, Kristiina Cooper join as new trustees and Debbie O'Neil stands down.

Learning Disability England has 785 members

2026

Learning Disability England reaches 785 members - that's 785 organisations and individuals coming together to wok towards good lives. This is a 45.9% increase from 2020.

Members 10 Year Timeline

We want to hear what members remember from the last 10 years. Can you share your memories?

Can you remember anything you and Learning Disability England did together since 2016?

You can use the post-it notes to add your memories to the timeline.

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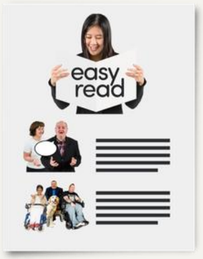
Looking forward…

We also want to look forward at what the next 10 years might look like.

Can you think about this question:

In 10 years' time, what would you like to see happening for yourself or others? How will we get there?

What will we use this for?



It will be written up and shared with members after.

What we hear will shape and inform the future work of Learning Disability England

It will help us to know what matters to people

We will share it with the government and other organisations

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How to get involved...

Please visit the Good Lives 10 years time session, taking place in here all day

Write your ideas onto the postcards and stick them onto the posterboards.

Don’t worry if your ideas are big or small!

You might want to think about an ‘ideal world’ where all people with learning disabilities are living good lives.

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Take part online...

You can also add your ideas to the online Menti boards.

Here is a QR code to access them...
You can also find this on posters and screens throughout the conference all day.

We will share the results afterwards.

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Question reminder

Can you remember anything you and Learning Disability England did together since 2016?

(add to the timeline all day)

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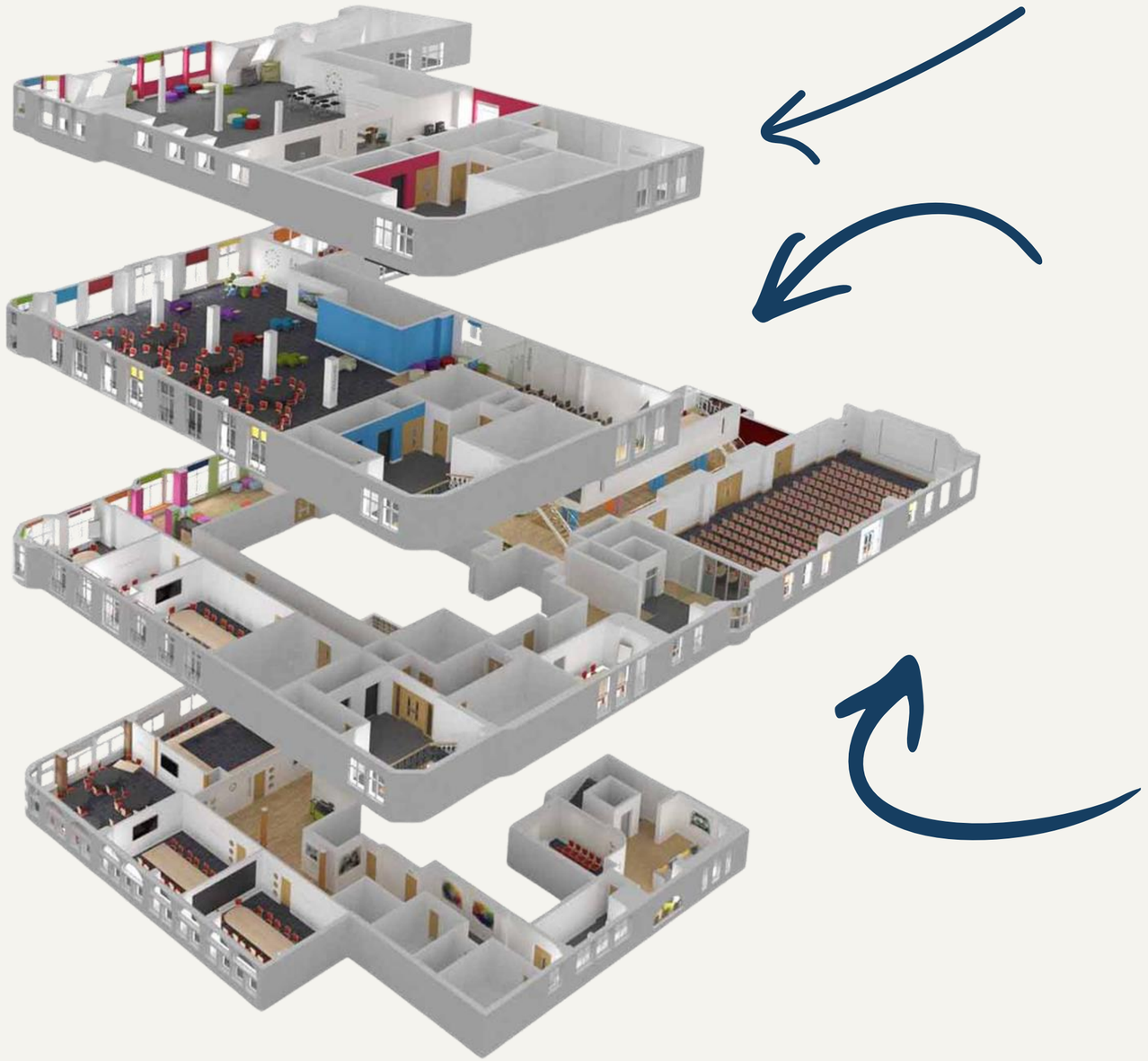

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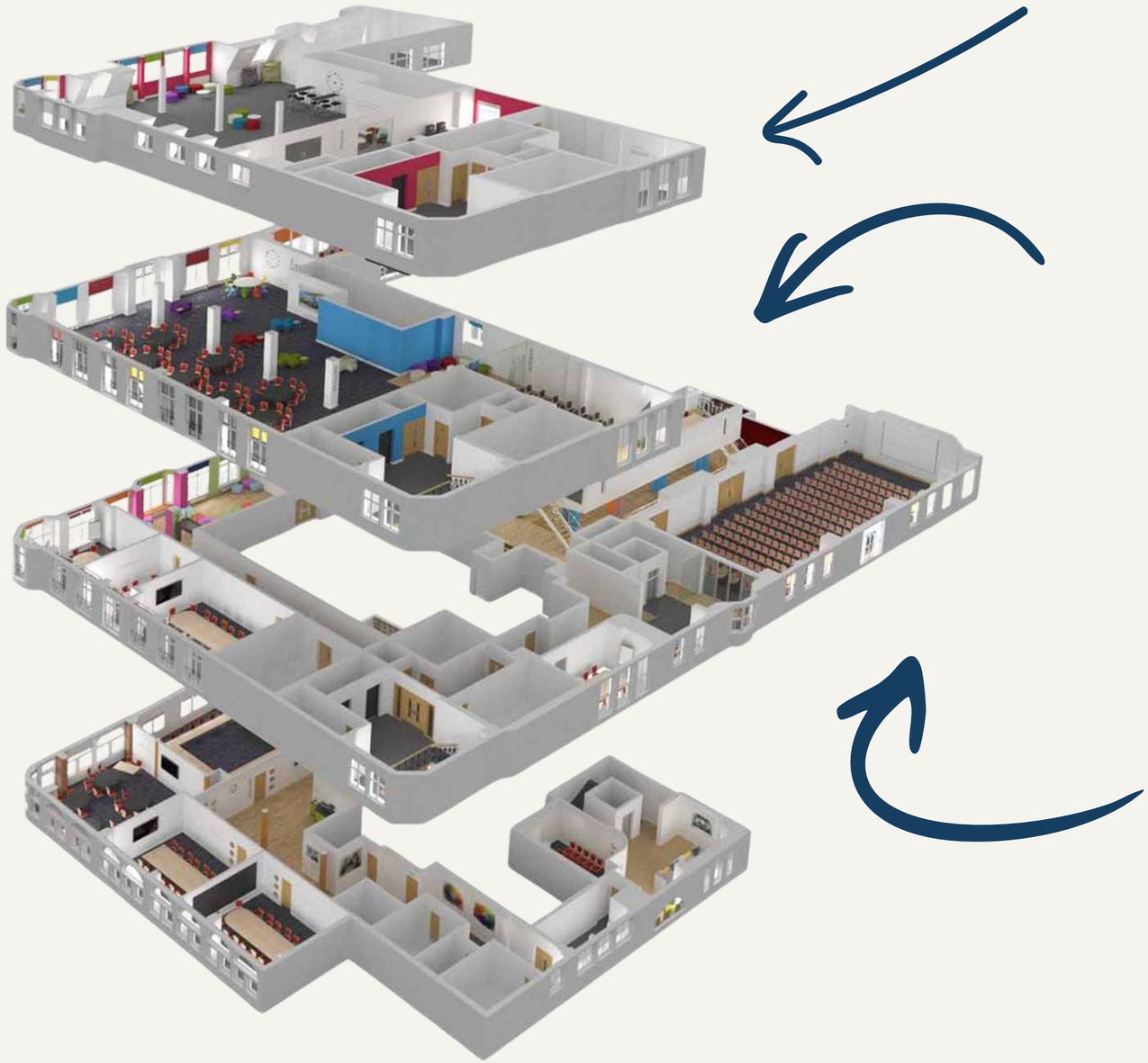

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Being seen, being heard

This is me, I am George.

My eyes are **sparkly**,
just like my mum.

Like my dad,
I'm **determined**
and **brave**,

and like my sister,
I'm FULL OF FUN!

I have an extra ingredient –
a sprinkling of
magic inside me.

Some people, they say
that I'm special,
but that's not what
I think, you see . . .

We're made of
different ingredients,
that help us **shine**
– like a **star**.

My **glow** is what makes
me who I am,
and **yours** will make
you who you are.

Sometimes, we might need a little help
to find out what makes us glow.

We can try
new things,

have lots of fun . . .

why not give everything a go?

CBeebies

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BBC
CBeebies Panto
George Webster
as Doug

Our voices need to be heard

When I was a little bit smaller,
I struggled to make my words clear.

So, I learnt to use my **hands** to talk
and sign language filled
me with **cheer**.

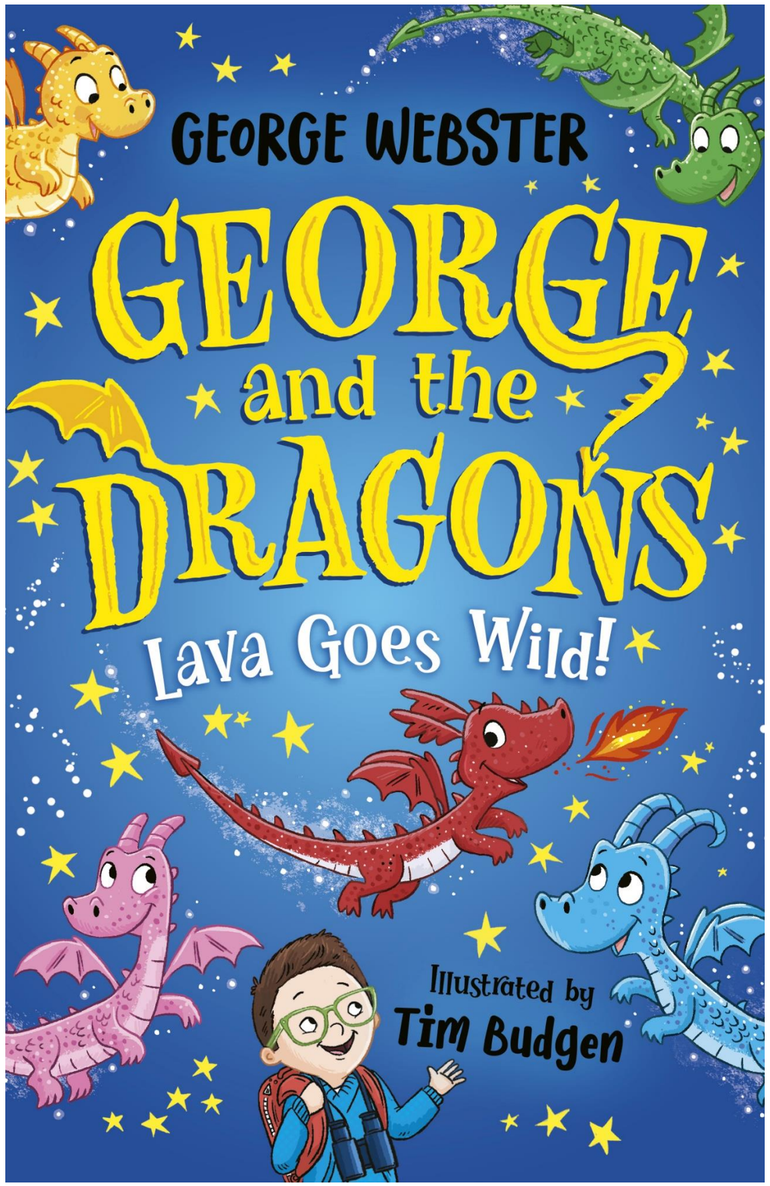
My little sis, Lauren, signed with me –
so she could speak **my** special way.

"More food please!"
– that was our favourite.

"More! More! More!"
together we'd say.

There are lots of ways of talking.
We can smile, blink, gaze or shout loud.

However we talk, we need to be heard,
it's what makes us feel bold and proud.


GEORGE WEBSTER
GEORGE and the DRAGONS
Lava Goes Wild!
Illustrated by
Tim Budgen

epic quest.

Advice

George Webster

Why Not?

Claire Taylor

SCHOLASTIC

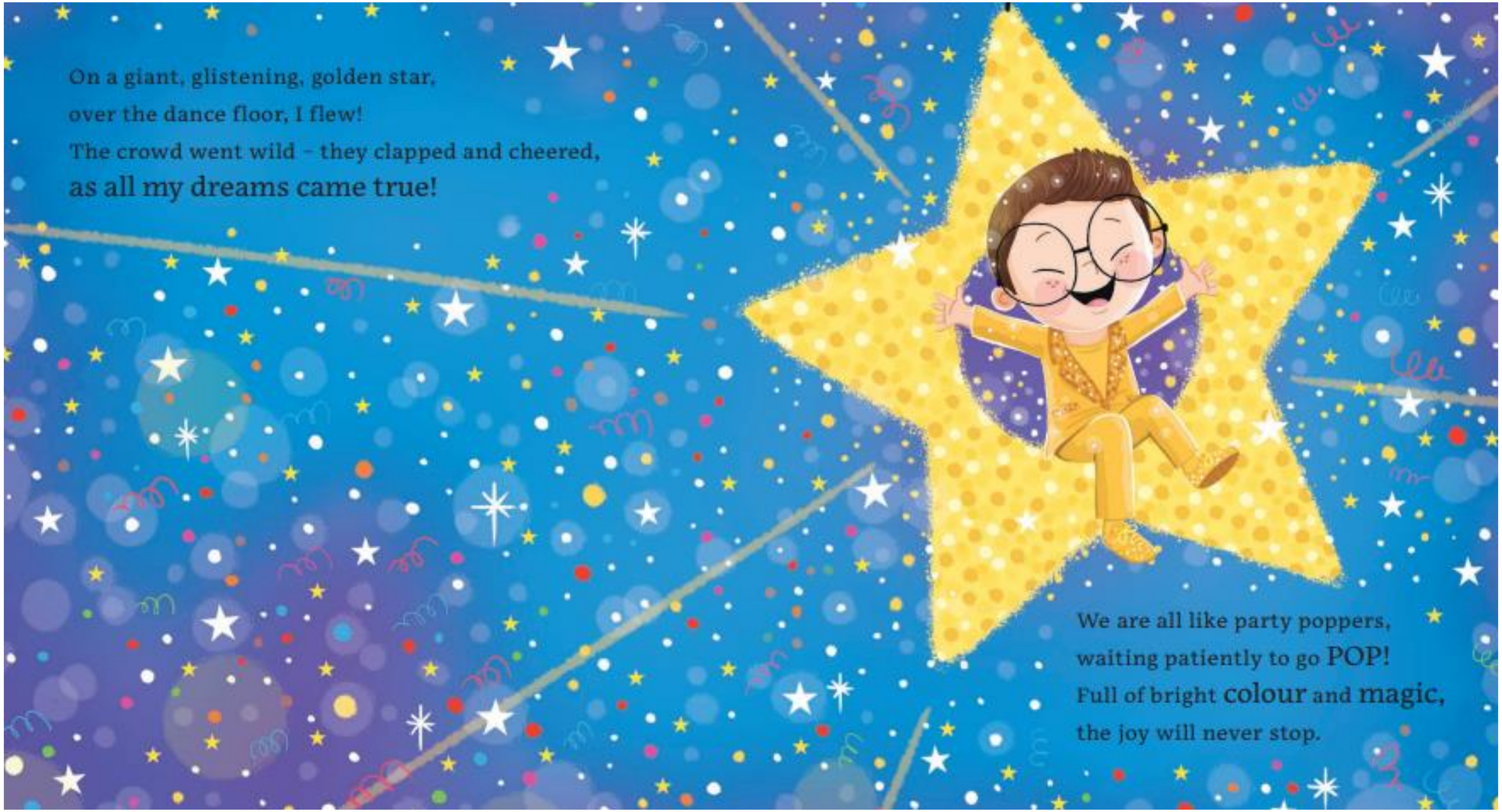
Tim Budgen

Mum says I was born with jazz hands.
Why not give dancing a go?

I practise with my friend, Emily.
We love to put on a show!

Emily gets me moving.
With her super wheels she spins,
wowing all the judges,

"Why not keep dancing?"
my mum grins.



On a giant, glistening, golden star,
over the dance floor, I flew!
The crowd went wild – they clapped and cheered,
as all my dreams came true!

We are all like party poppers,
waiting patiently to go POP!
Full of bright colour and magic,
the joy will never stop.

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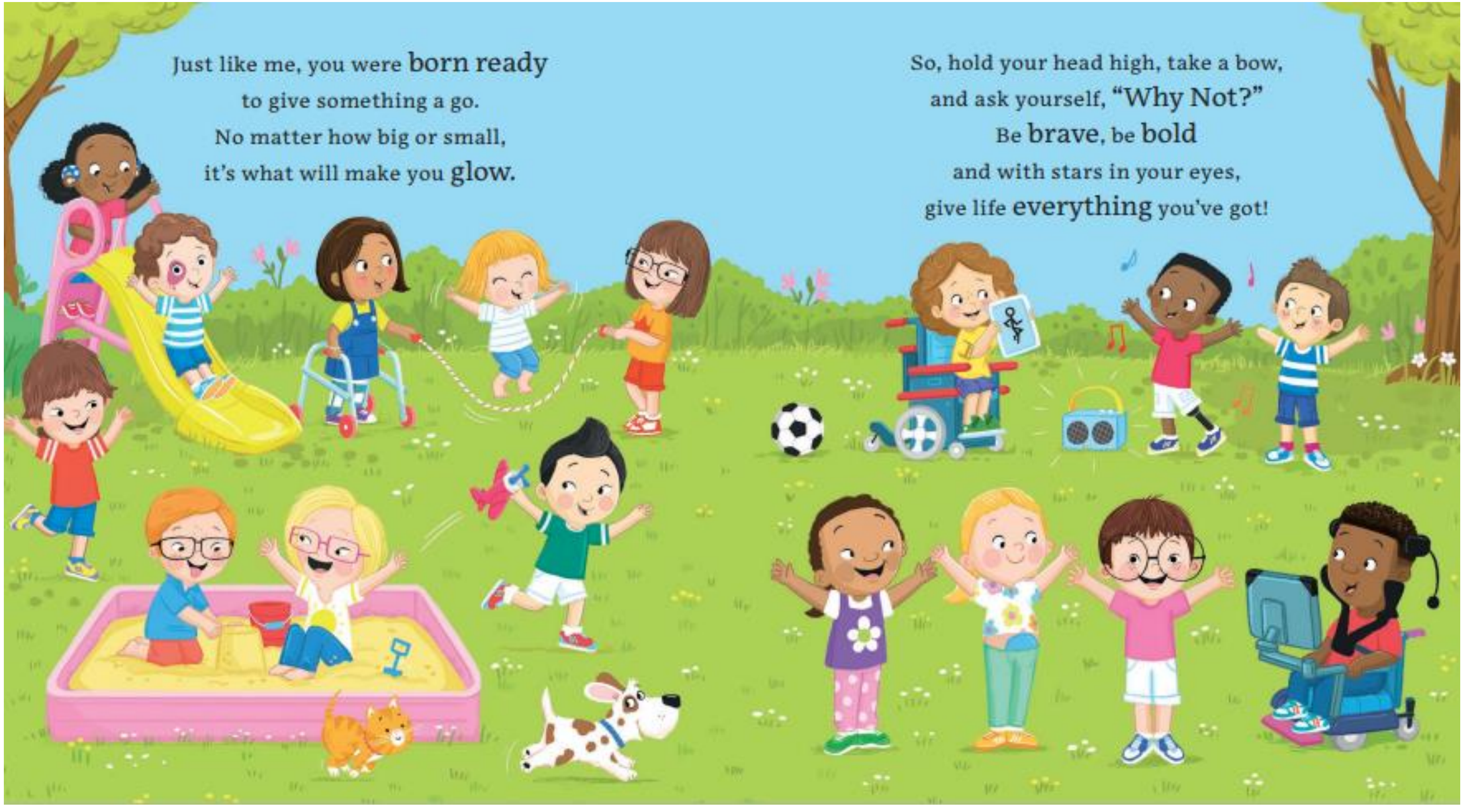

Just like me, you were **born ready**
to give something a go.
No matter how big or small,
it's what will make you **glow.**

So, hold your head high, take a bow,
and ask yourself, **"Why Not?"**
Be **brave**, be **bold**
and with stars in your eyes,
give life **everything** you've got!

Questions

Thank you!

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