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THE TOILET
GHOST

One time Gavin Ross asked to go to the toilet, and when he came back he was completely **SOAKED**.

That's when Miss Riley said, "What on **EARTH** happened to you, Gavin?"

And Gavin said, "Um. I don't know. I was just washing my hands, and then …

IT HAPPENED."





So Gavin got sent to the nurse to get changed, and when he came back he was wearing the spare "I-had-an-accident" clothes, and he wouldn't speak to **ANYONE**. We all thought the reason Gavin wouldn't speak to anyone was because the spare trousers were too short.

But then Theo Burke put his hand up and asked if he could go to the toilet and Gavin gasped!

That's when Gavin told us he thought the boys' toilets were **HAUNTED**. Because both taps had come on **FULL BLAST** even though he barely **TOUCHED** them!



But then Miss Riley came over and told us to stop chatting and to go back to our own tables. And then she tried to give the Toilet Pass to Theo Burke, but he said he didn't need to go any more, even though we all knew he did.



At break-time, we all ran outside and sat in the long grass. Sunita Ram said that we should all put our coats around Gavin's shoulders and take good care of him, because of the Toilet Ghost, so we did.



Sunita said that Gavin must be feeling very weak and tired because of the shock he had had, and Gavin nodded that he was. Then he pulled his knees up and started rocking a bit. So I took my Ribena out of my pocket and tried to give it to Gavin, for energy.



But then Susie Keys screamed,



And that's when Susie explained that none of the boys could drink any juice **OR** water, because then they'd need to go to the toilet and the Toilet Ghost would

GET THEM.

So we all ran around the playground telling the boys in our class about the Toilet Ghost and the **JUICE BAN.**





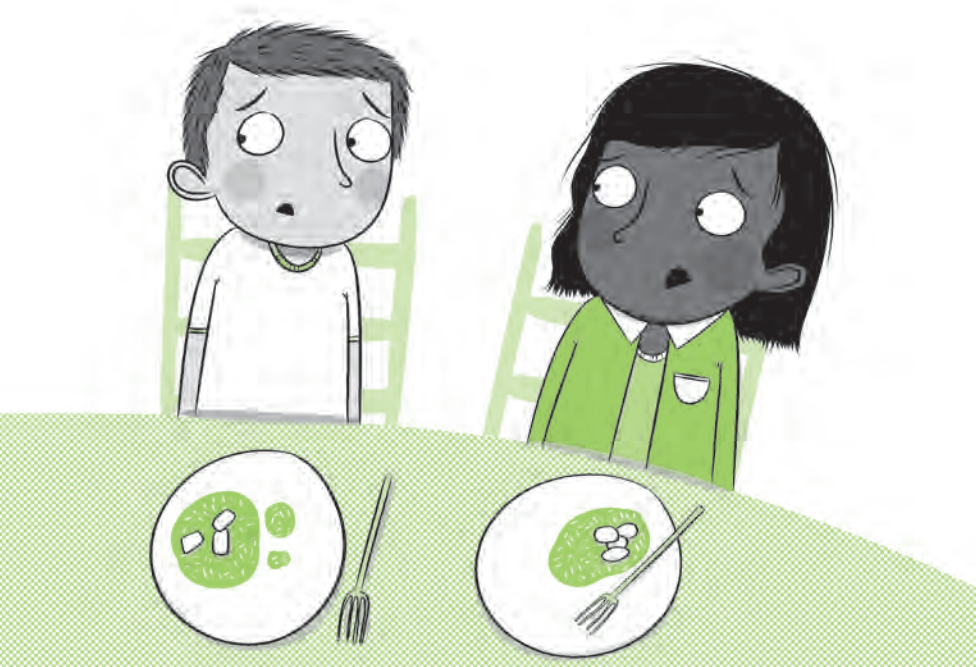
But then at lunch all the boys got **REALLY** thirsty because it was Chicken Curry day and everyone had Spicy Mouth.

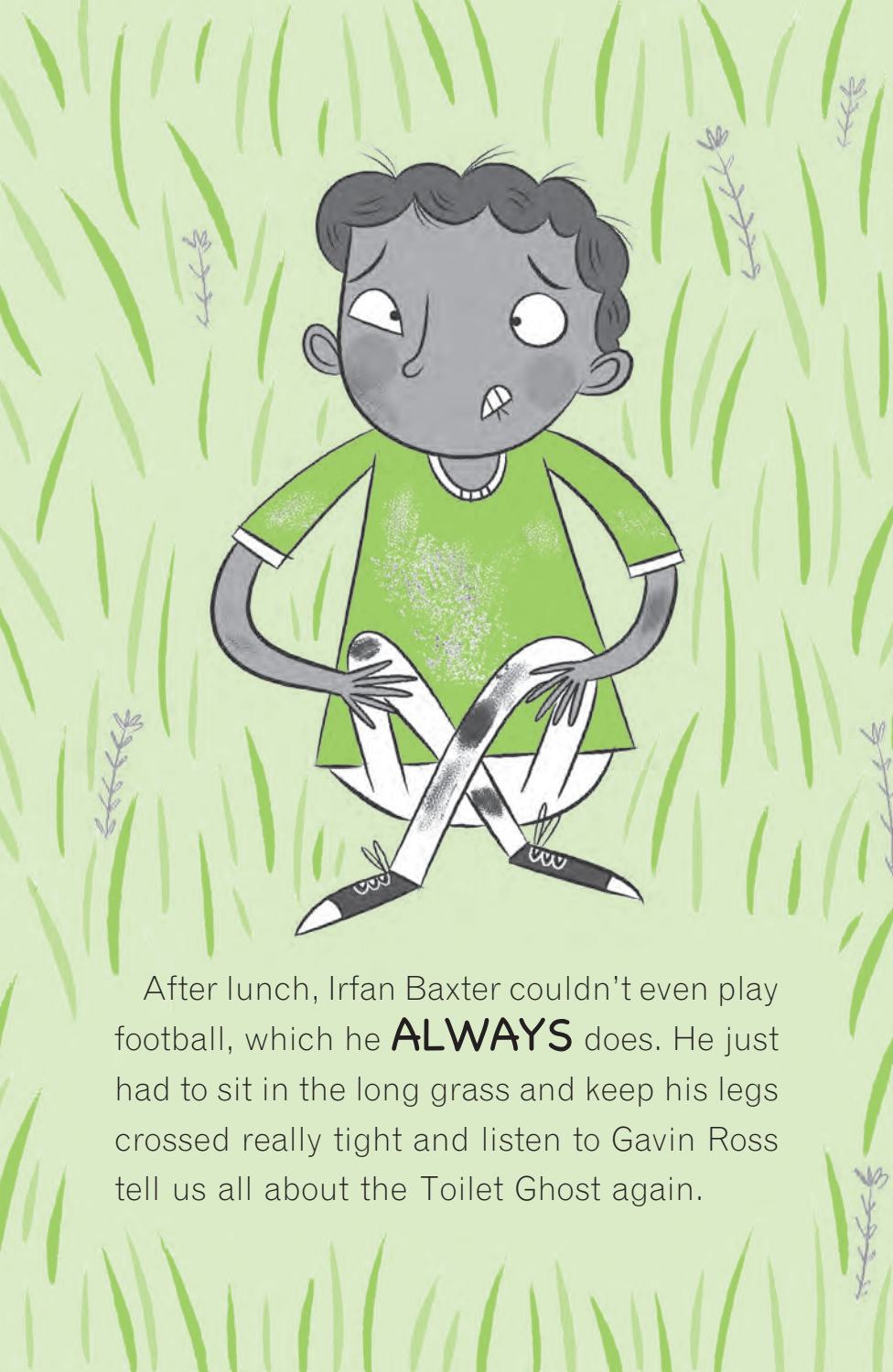
So Sunita Ram said that Gavin and the other boys should just sip a **TINY** bit of water each. And then she filled a glass and passed it around our table. Gavin Ross just took a tiny sip, and so did Jayden King, but when it was Irfan Baxter's turn he gulped down the **WHOLE GLASS**!



And everyone was shocked. But then Irfan Baxter said that he couldn't help it, and that he was just **TOO THIRSTY**. And then he poured himself **ANOTHER** glass of water and drank that one too!

Everyone was really worried about Irfan, because we all knew he would need to go to the toilet soon, and that the Toilet Ghost was going to get him.





After lunch, Irfan Baxter couldn't even play football, which he ALWAYS does. He just had to sit in the long grass and keep his legs crossed really tight and listen to Gavin Ross tell us all about the Toilet Ghost again.

Then, just before the bell went, Irfan said, "I'M GOING TO BURST!"

And he started running towards the boys' toilets, so we all ran after him.

When we got there, Irfan ran inside and Susie Keys told everyone to cross their fingers, so we did.

But then there was a loud rattling sound from inside the toilet and everyone started screaming,



And Irfan Baxter came running out, and he looked like he was going to wee himself **ANY SECOND**. And that's when Susie Keys shouted, "You're going to have to use the girls' toilets!"

But all the boys shouted,

"NO WAY!"

Except for Irfan, who just pushed past us and ran straight into the **GIRLS' TOILETS**! And everyone **GASPED**.

