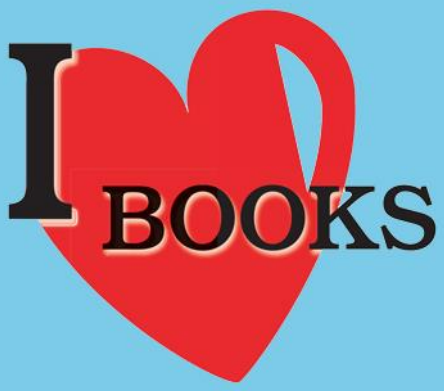


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A few days ago Rupal's mum came to school. She asked Mr Banks if Copper Tree class could visit the elderly people at the Pine Lodge Care Home where she works with Rupal's dad.

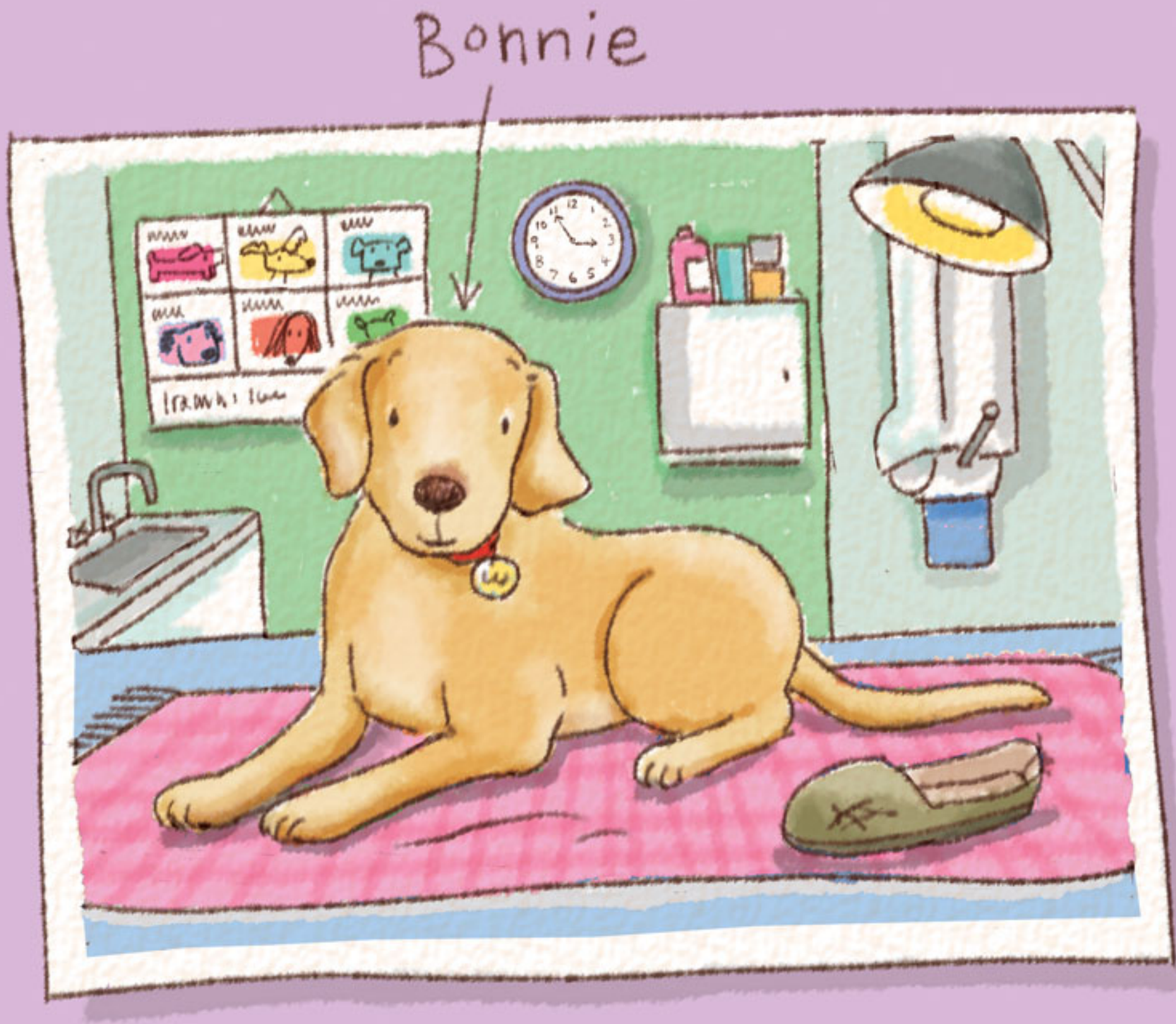






Rupal’s mum brought two pets with her.

Bobby and Bess used to pull heavy sledges before they retired. They now live a quieter life at Pine Lodge.



She said that another pet, a retired guide dog called Bonnie, had been at the animal hospital for a few days and everyone was missing her. Bonnie used to help people who can't see. She thought a visit from Copper Tree class would really cheer them up.

Mr Banks asked us if we had any ideas about what we could do.

I said we could sing a few songs like Little Donkey which we did in our Christmas play when I played the triangle. The only thing was when we did the clip-clop sounds with coconut shells, Alfie Tate got a bit excited and the Little Donkey sounded like it was galloping and we started singing faster and faster and we all got mixed up.





Mr Banks said he was sure we could sort that out and we could sing We Wish You A Merry Christmas as well because everyone knows the words.