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ABOUT ME:

NAME: Riley Olivia Wright

AGE: 8 (nearly 9!)

LIKES

UNIPUGS!

Sparkly pens and fluffy notebooks

Hot chocolate with cream and marshmallows (and sprinkles if I'm feeling really fancy)

Bright white trainers with rainbow laces

(although they don't stay white for long)

LOTS of bubbles in a bubble bath

Cheesy pasta

Dance parties in the kitchen

Annoying my big brother Ryan

EXTRA LARGE bags of salt and vinegar crisps

Writing in my diary because it's secret and fun and I have LOTS to say!!

DISLIKES

Wet play

Looooooooong assemblies

Brushing knots out of my hair

WHY SO PAINFUL?

When Dad embarrasses me (this happens A LOT!)

When Mum forces me to be in a photo (this also happens A LOT!)

When Ryan pushes me out of my spot on the sofa (this happens more than I'd like)

Going bright red because I've done something wrong (this happens A SILLY AMOUNT!)

THE LAST THURSDAY OF THE HOLIDAYS

I'M NOT BEING FUNNY, but have you ever seen your head teacher take the bins out as soon as the sun comes up, in their tatty, too-small dressing gown and ugly superhero slippers? It's like seeing a giraffe skateboard into school. WEIRD ON EVERY LEVEL!!!!

It's even worse when your head teacher has overpowering coffee breath, chants a cheery, 'Good mooooorning, neighbour!' like they're permanently stuck on school-assembly mode – and they're . . . *your dad*.

I know, right?

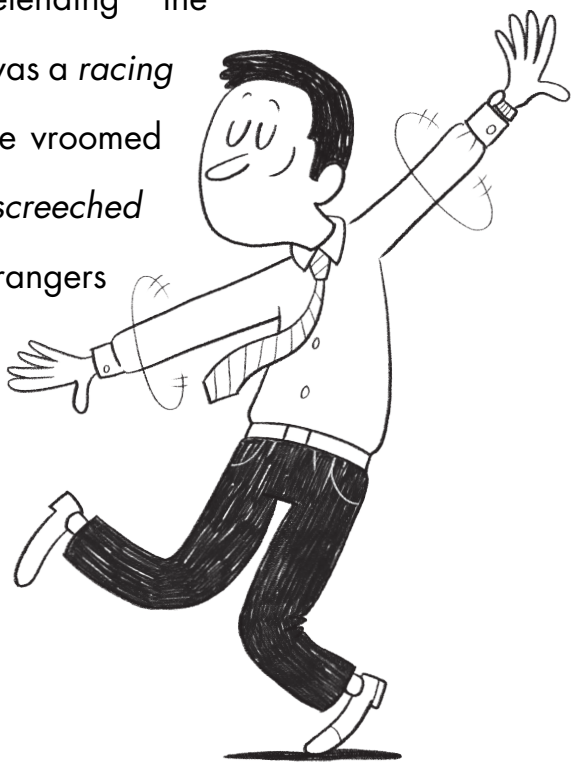
CRINGE.

DON'T GET ME WRONG, Dad's all right *sometimes*.

- He buys me ALL the notebooks and pens I want. All I have to do is mention the words 'new school project' and he races to his laptop like there's a flash sale at BoringShirtsAndTies.com and orders me anything with a twenty per cent off sticker. A girl can never have enough notebooks and pens, right!?
- Dad also works *a lot*. So I get way more TV time than he knows about.
- And at weekends, he makes the tastiest tomato pasta with *three* different cheeses and not a vegetable in sight. Result!

But don't be fooled by my dad's love of dairy and a big online discount. When it comes to being a totally embarrassing, forever-annoying parent, he's the MASTER.

Just yesterday, he charged around the supermarket pretending the shopping trolley was a *racing car*. Every time he vroomed down an aisle or *screeched* round a corner, strangers would point and snigger or pull their phone out to film him, and I wanted the ground



to **SWALLOW ME UP**. Then, this morning, I caught him dancing to Taylor Swift in the kitchen. He was all wiggly hips and helicopter arms, and I didn't know whether to cry or throw up. I settled with a loud **GROOOAN** as I swiped a box of Cloud Puffs from the cupboard and ran back to my room. No one needs to see that before 9 a.m.