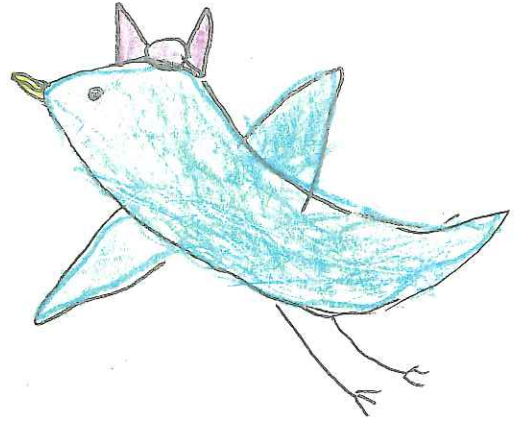
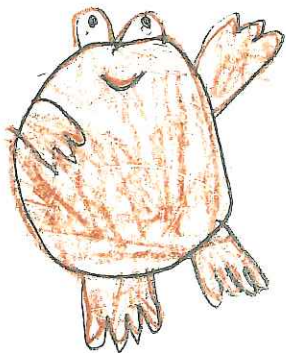




The Toad Who
Wanted to Fly
by
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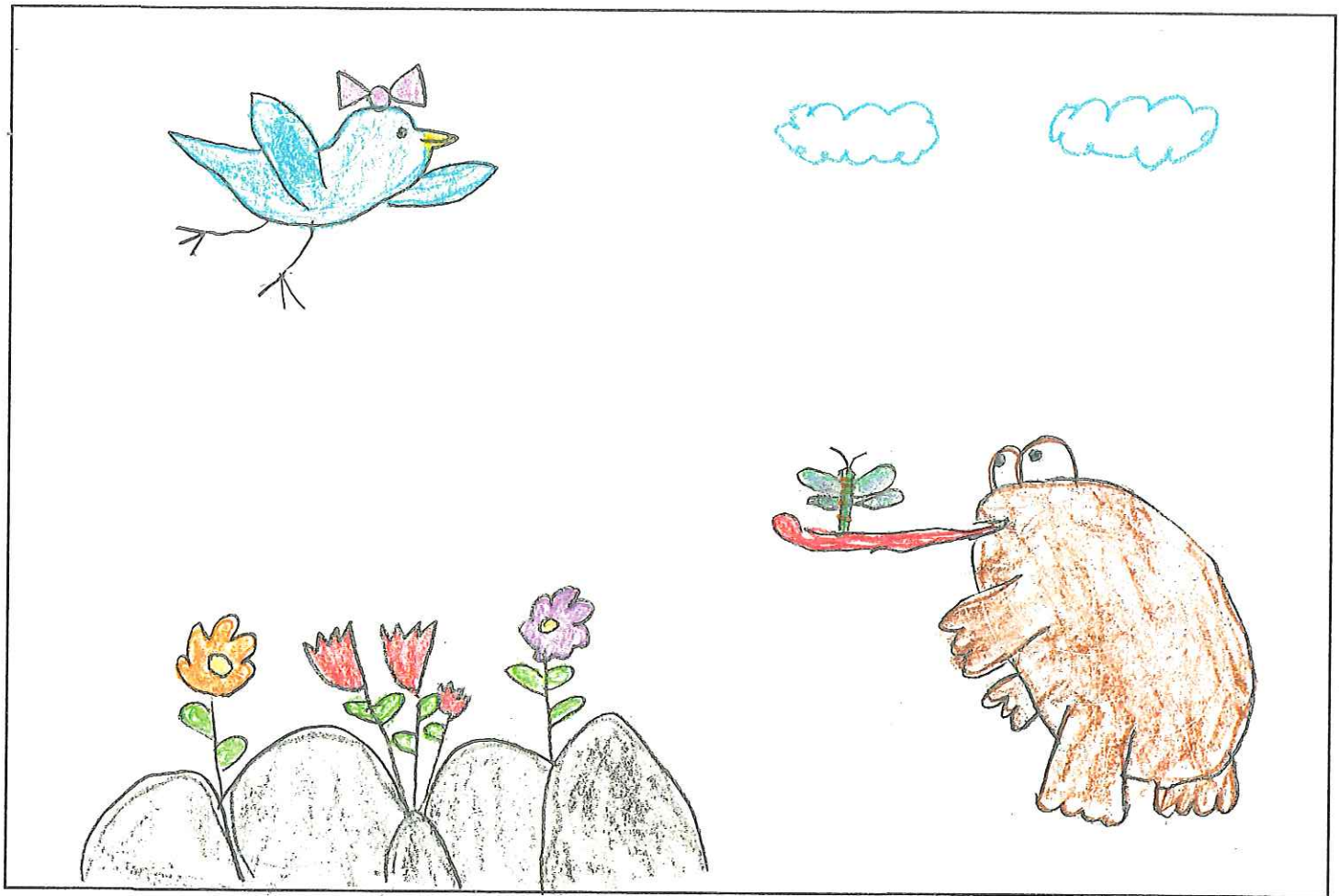


There once was a toad
who liked to watch the
birds fly in the sky. He wished
he could fly like them. Even



though he did not have
wings, he tried different
things.

The toad picked off
two leaves from a tree and
flapped them like wings.

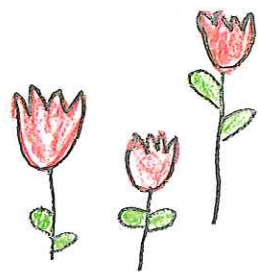


He began flapping and jumping
faster and faster and faster,
but he could not fly.

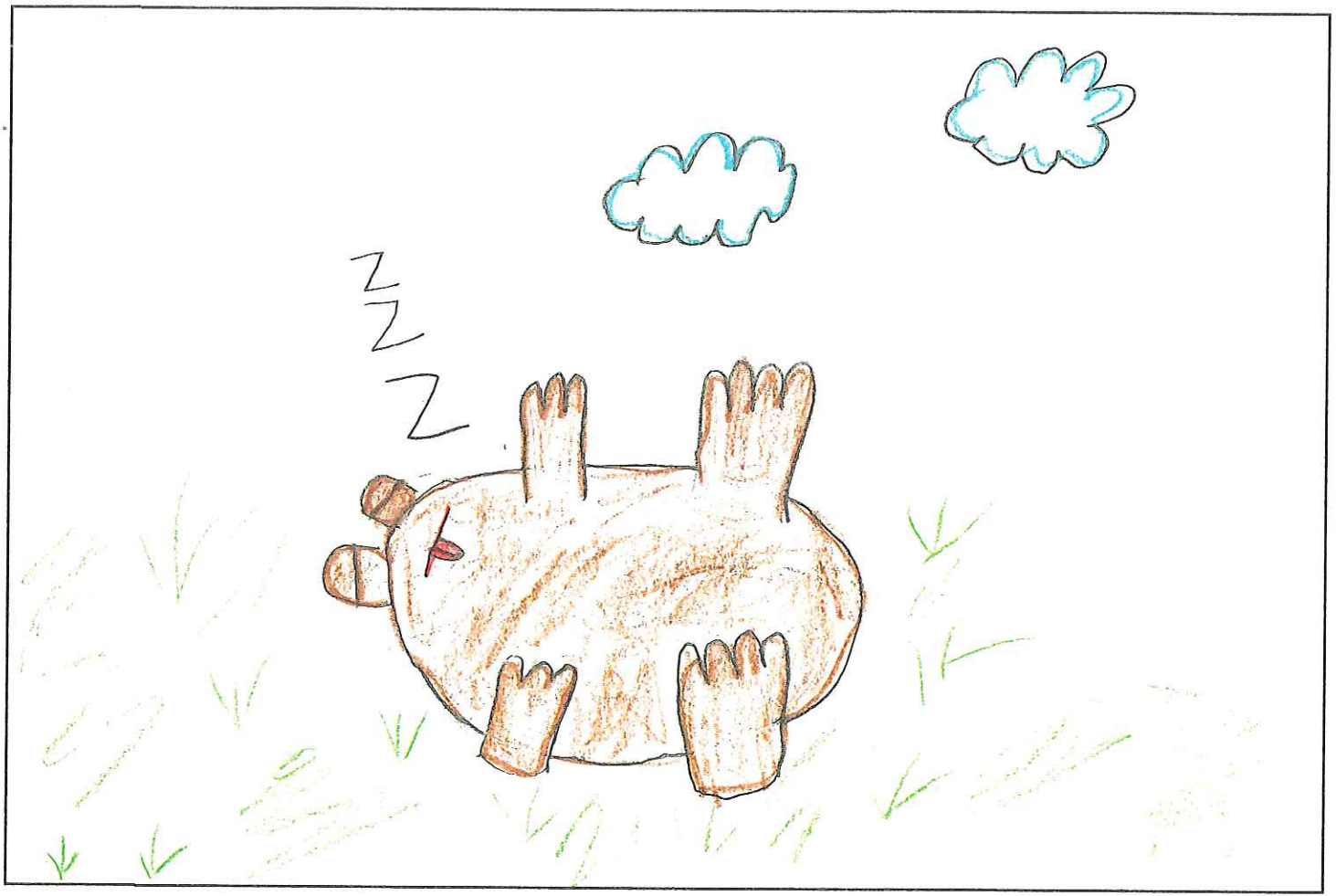
The toad had another idea.
He caught a dragonfly with
his long and sticky tongue.



I wish I had wings, day and night.
I wish I had wings, that were very bright.

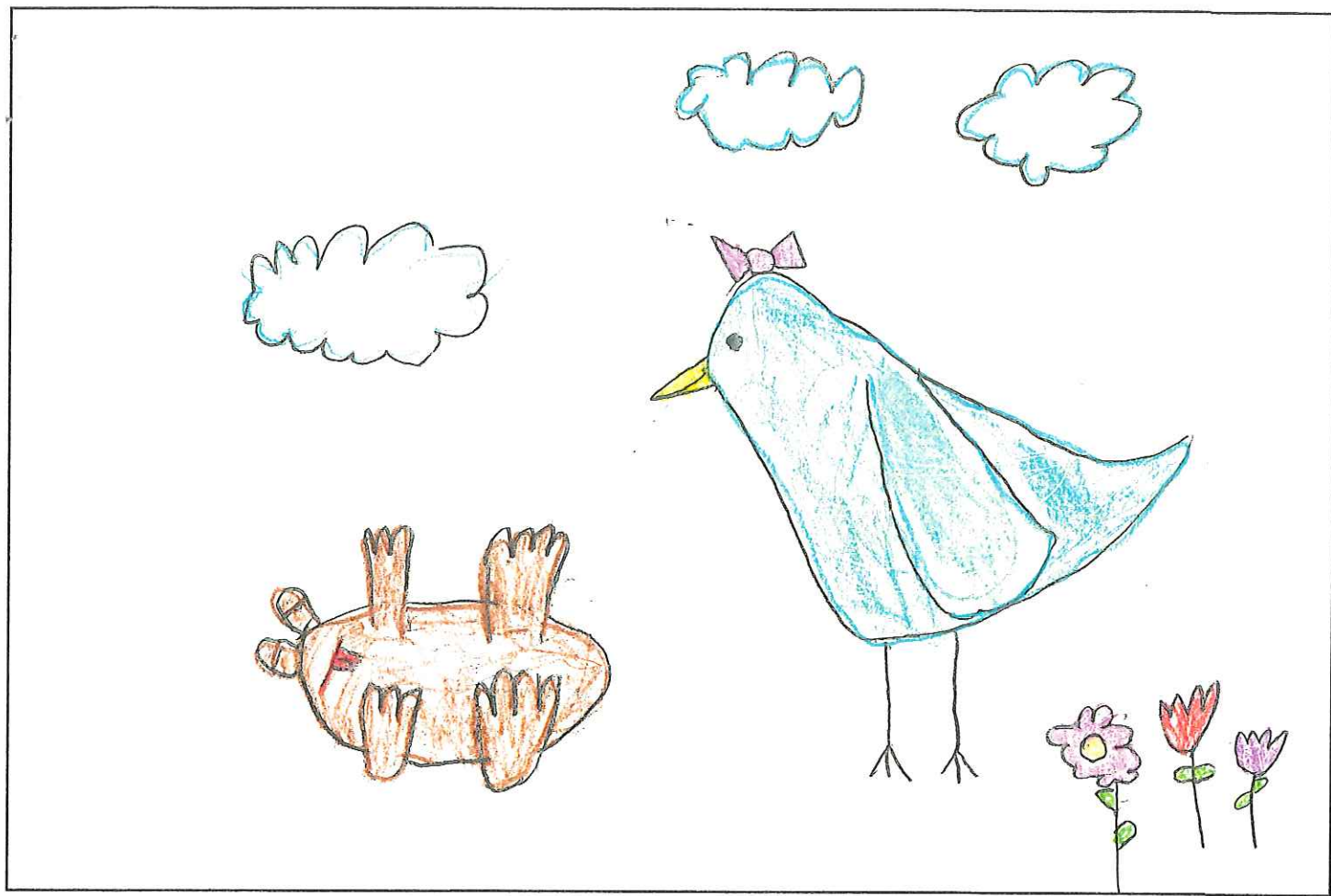


He hoped the dragonfly's
wings could lift him up,
but the dragonfly was too
small and the toad was too big.
The toad tried one last thing.
He went to a wishing well,



where he hopped on one foot,
spun around three times, and
sang a wishing song.

The toad grew very tired
and his eyelids got very heavy.
Before he knew it, he fell asleep.



The bird with the pink bow was watching the toad the whole time. She wanted to help him fly. While the toad was sleeping, the bird scooped him up onto her back and



away they flew.

The toad woke up and realized that he was flying!

He also realized that he had a new friend.