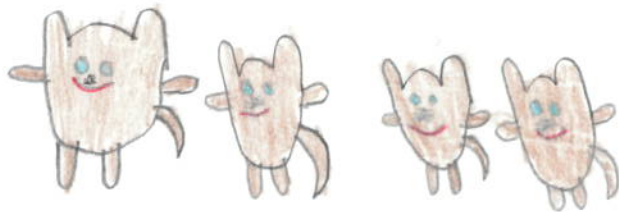
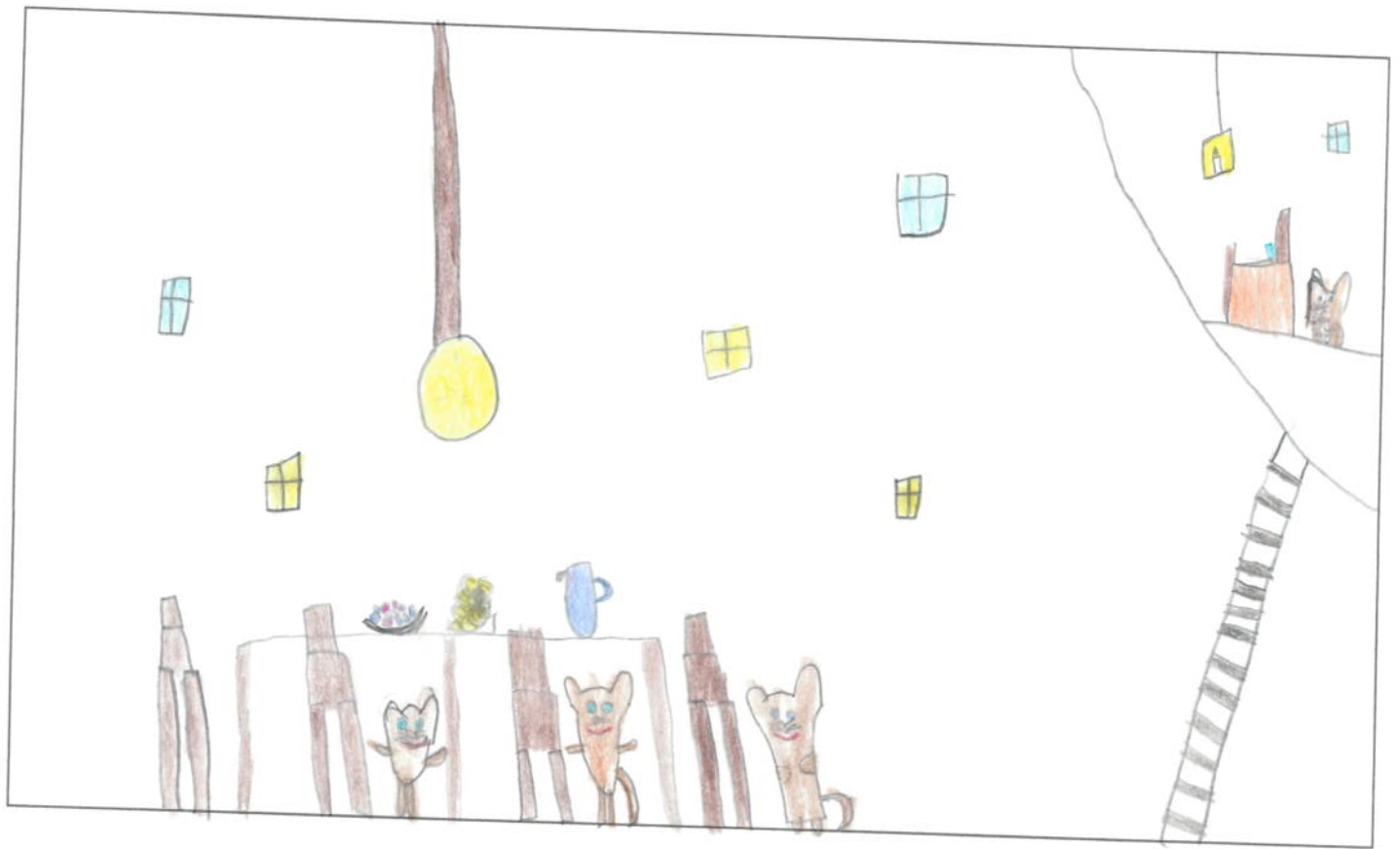


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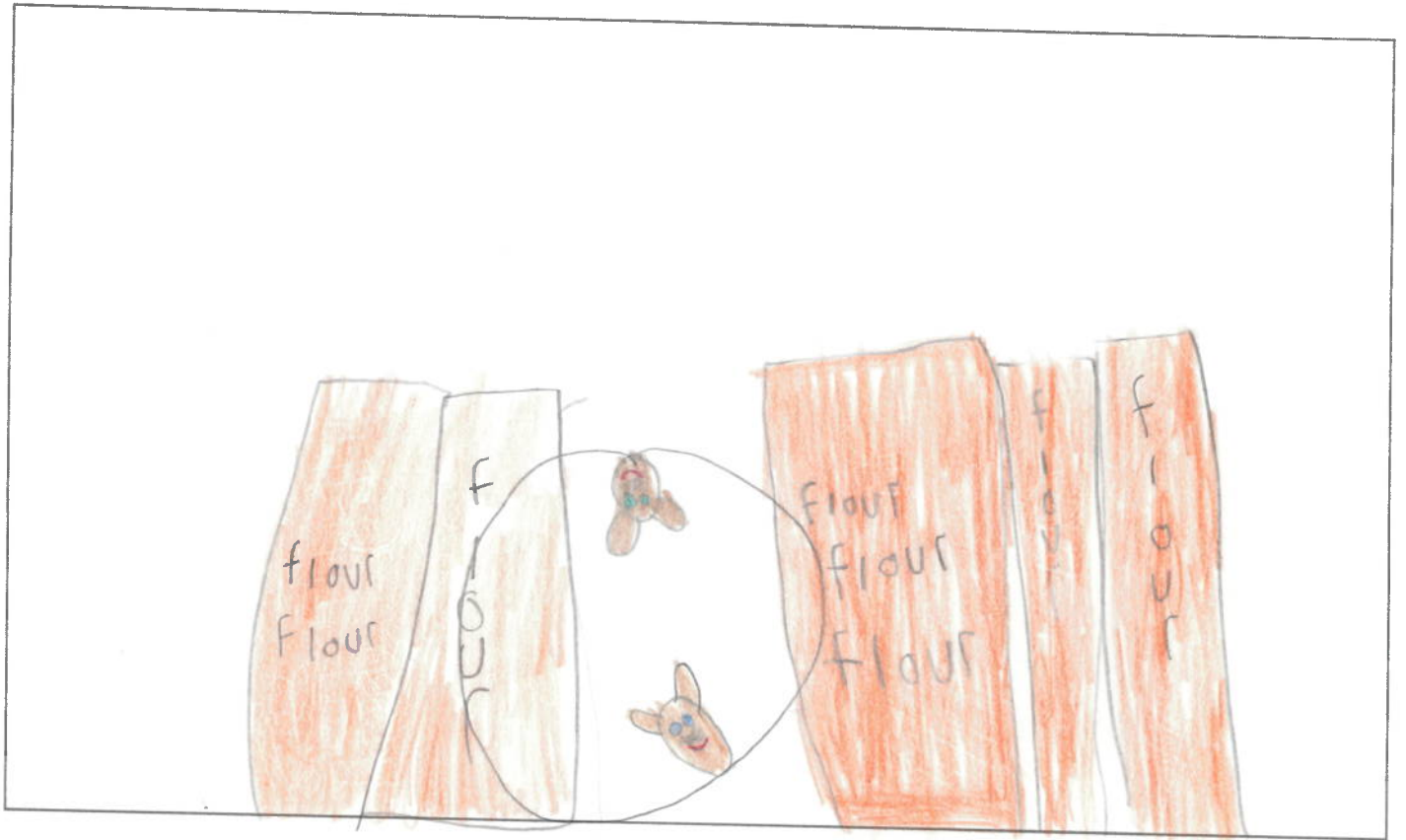
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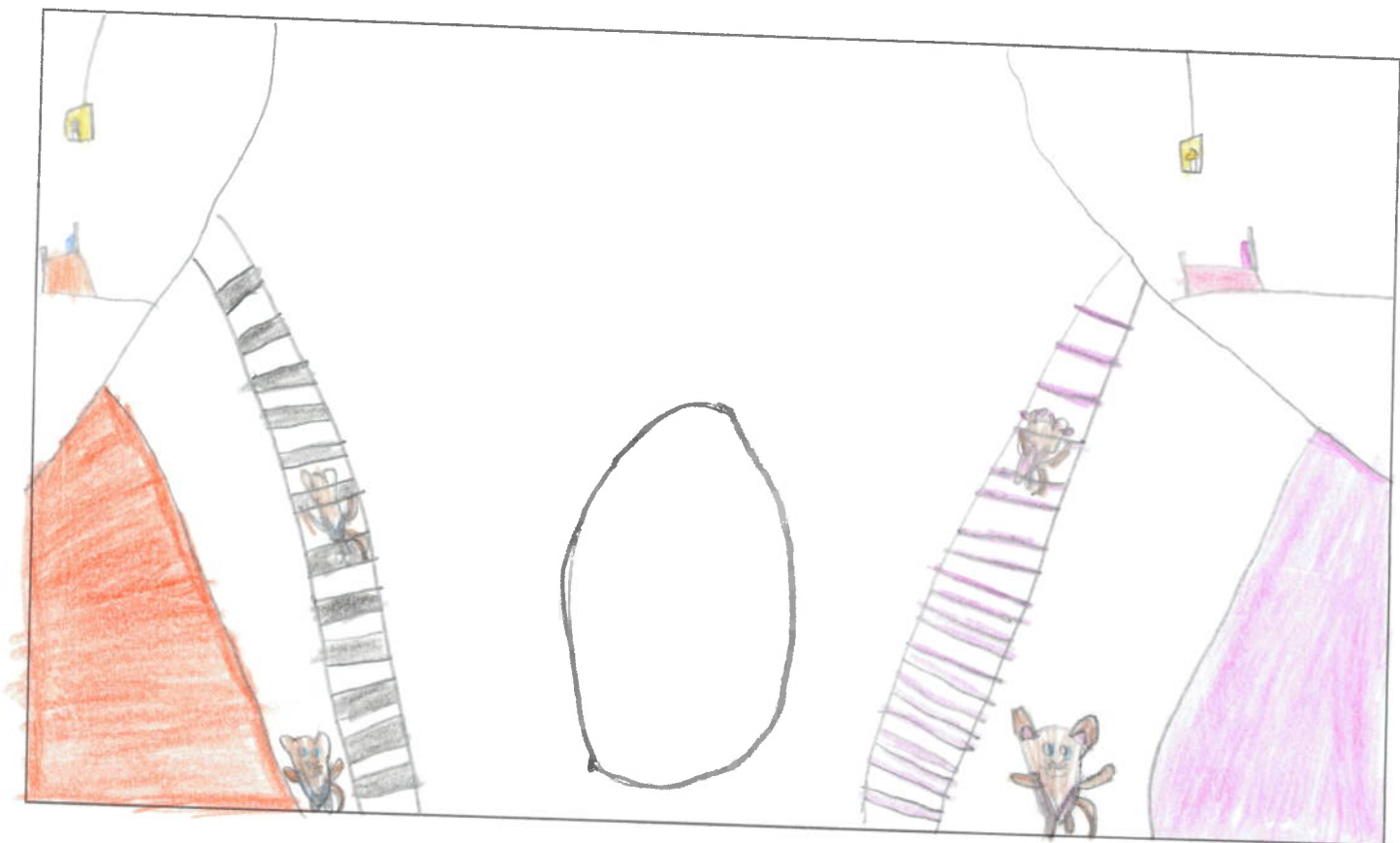
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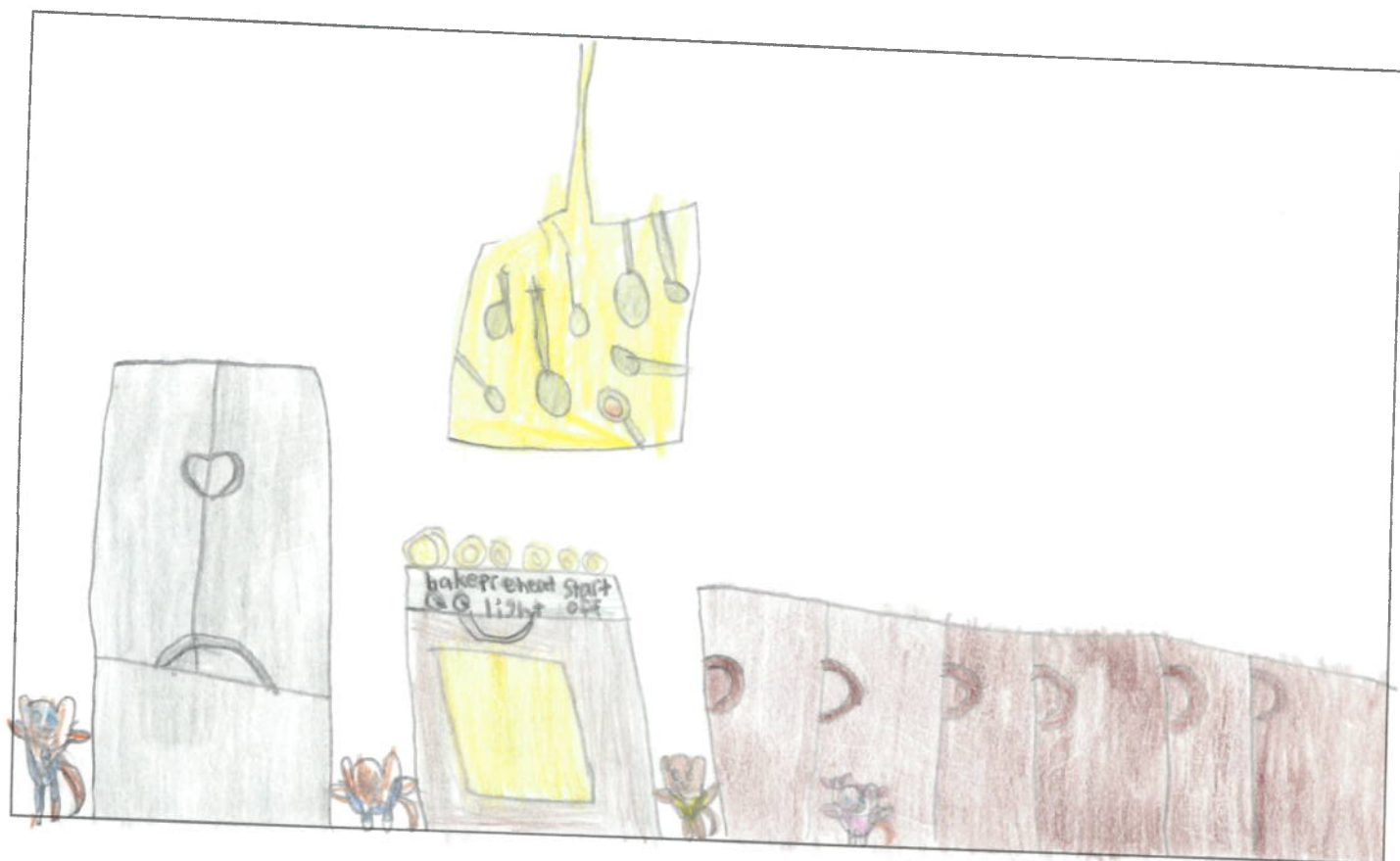
It was a warm and  
sunny spring day and  
the Martins were just  
getting up for a breakfast  
of pancakes and fruit.



max and Molly the Martin children, were excited for their field trip to explore the humans cottage. They were finally old enough to go outside their mouse hole, which was inside the cozy cottages pantry behind the flour sacks.



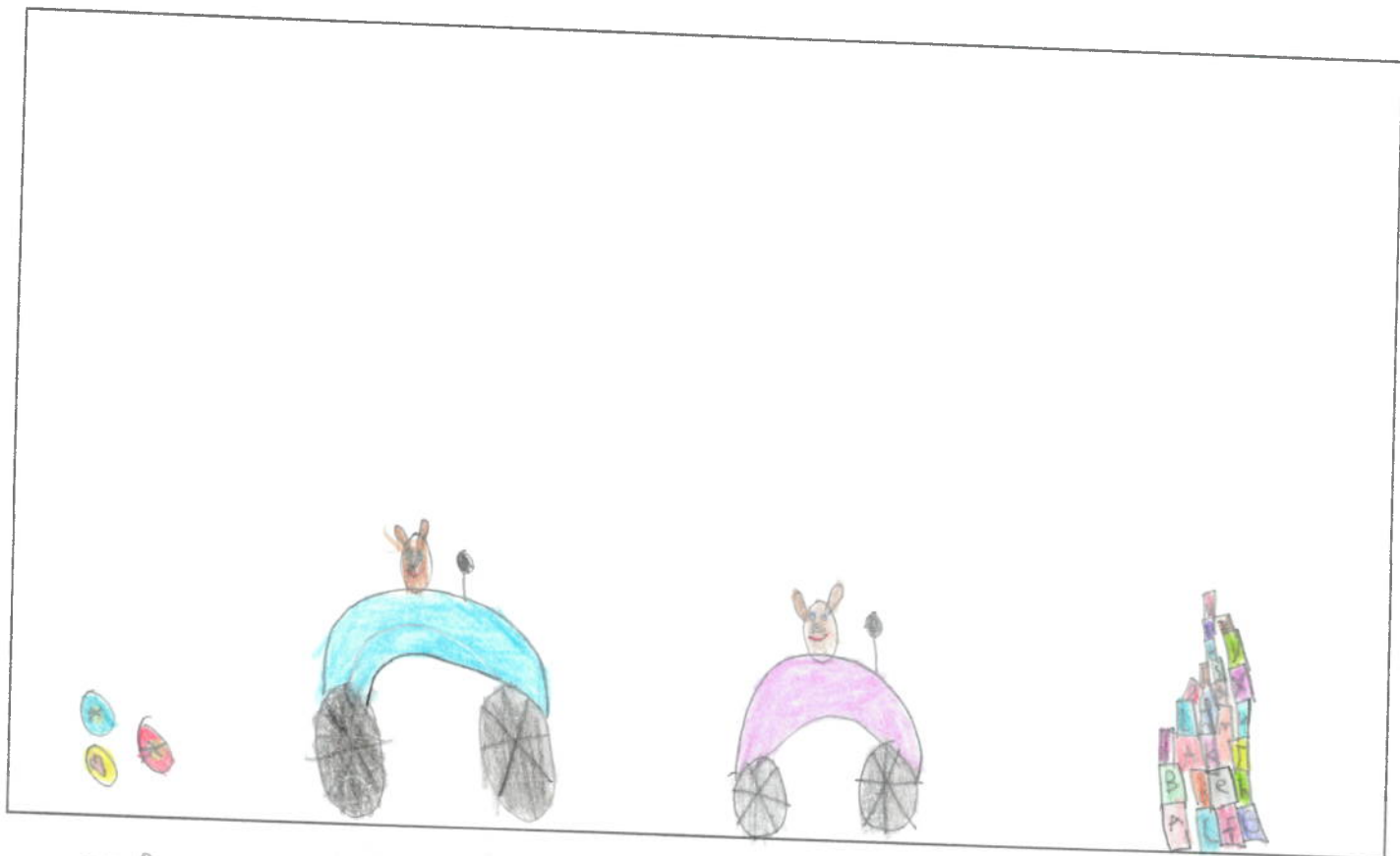
Their mom called  
for them to get ready.  
Molly got to wear her  
new pink dress and  
hairbows. Max got to wear  
his suspenders, bow tie and  
pants. Now it was time to go.



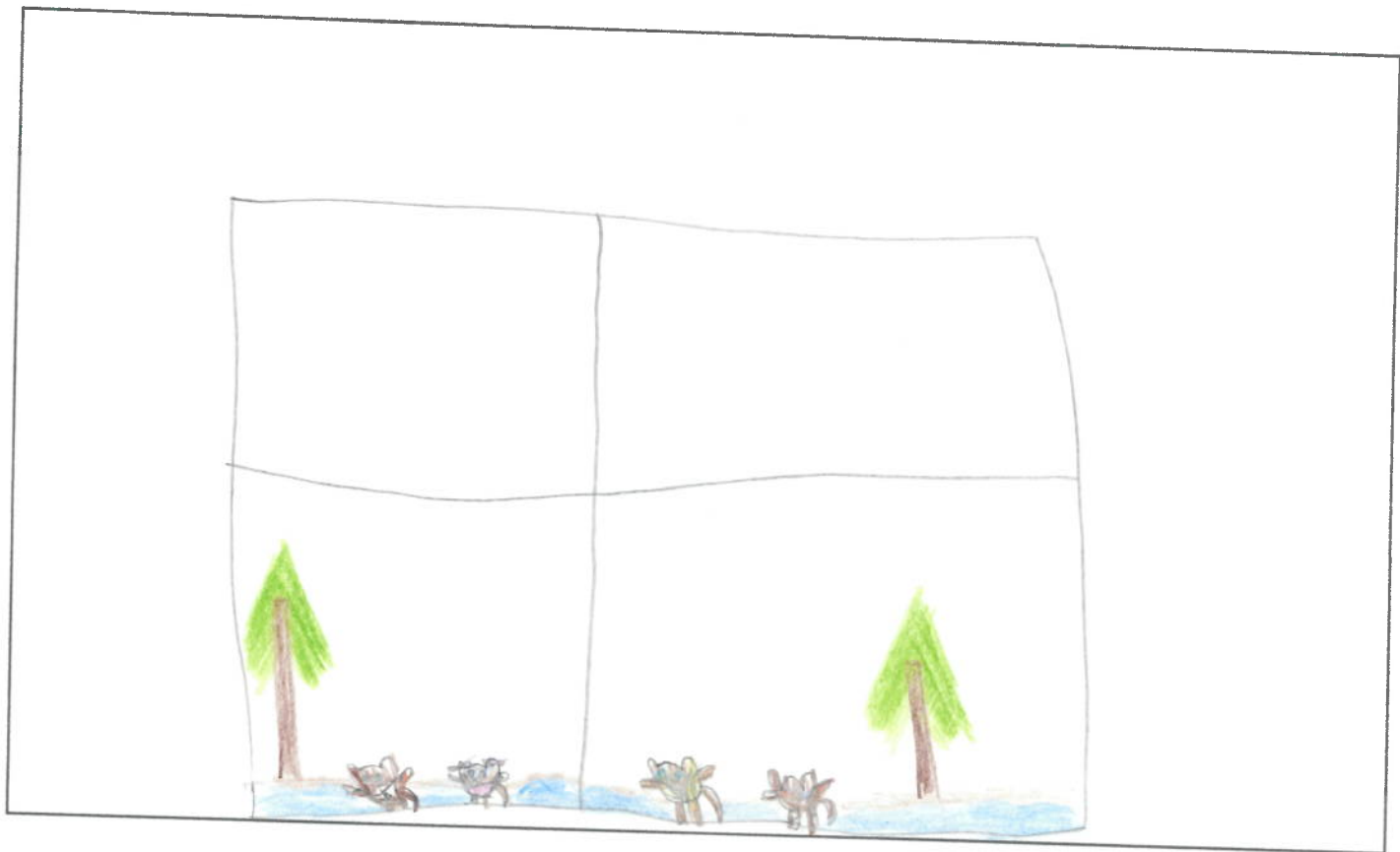
The Martin family

scurried past the flour sacks  
and into the kitchen.

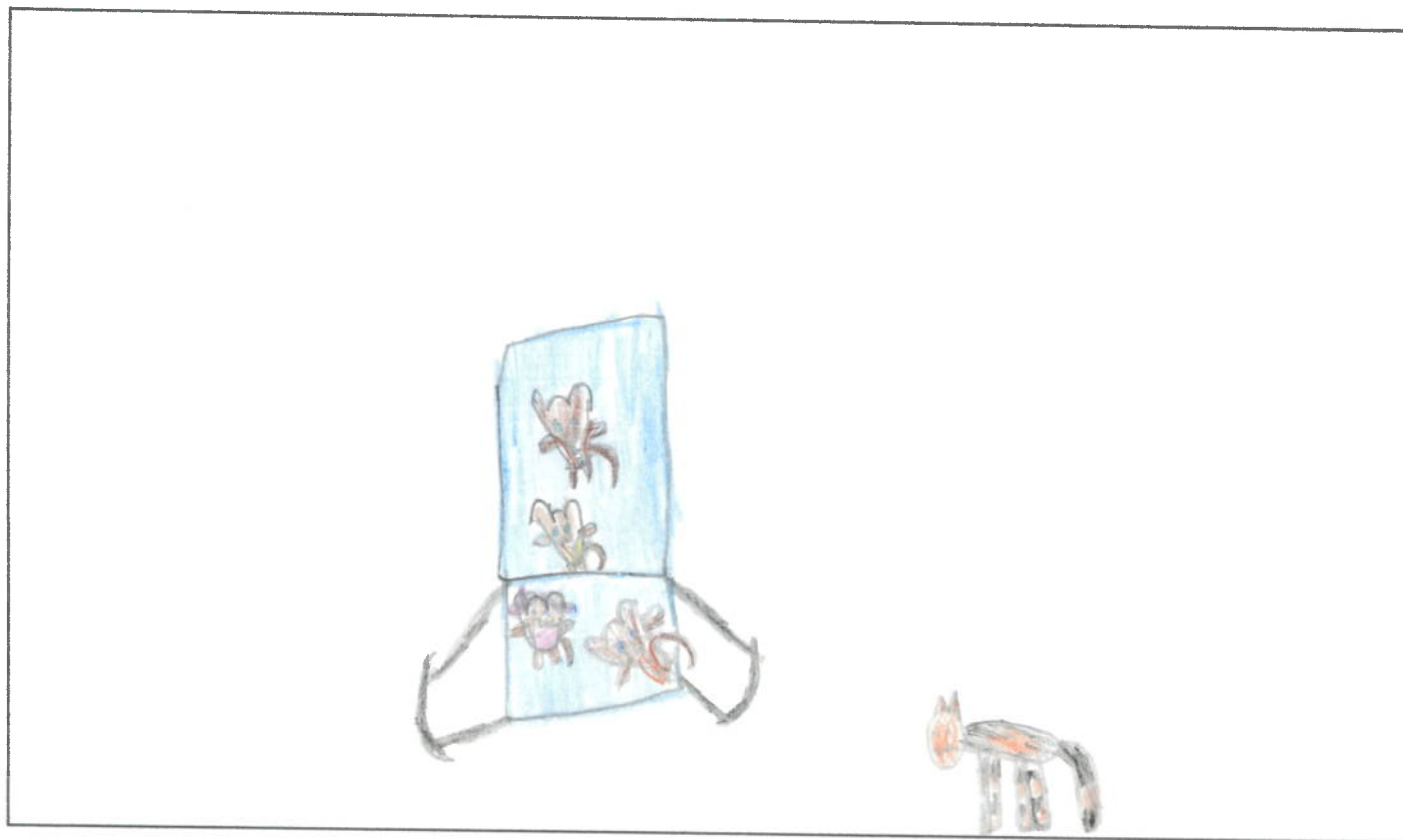
And that was the start  
to the Martin's big  
adventure.



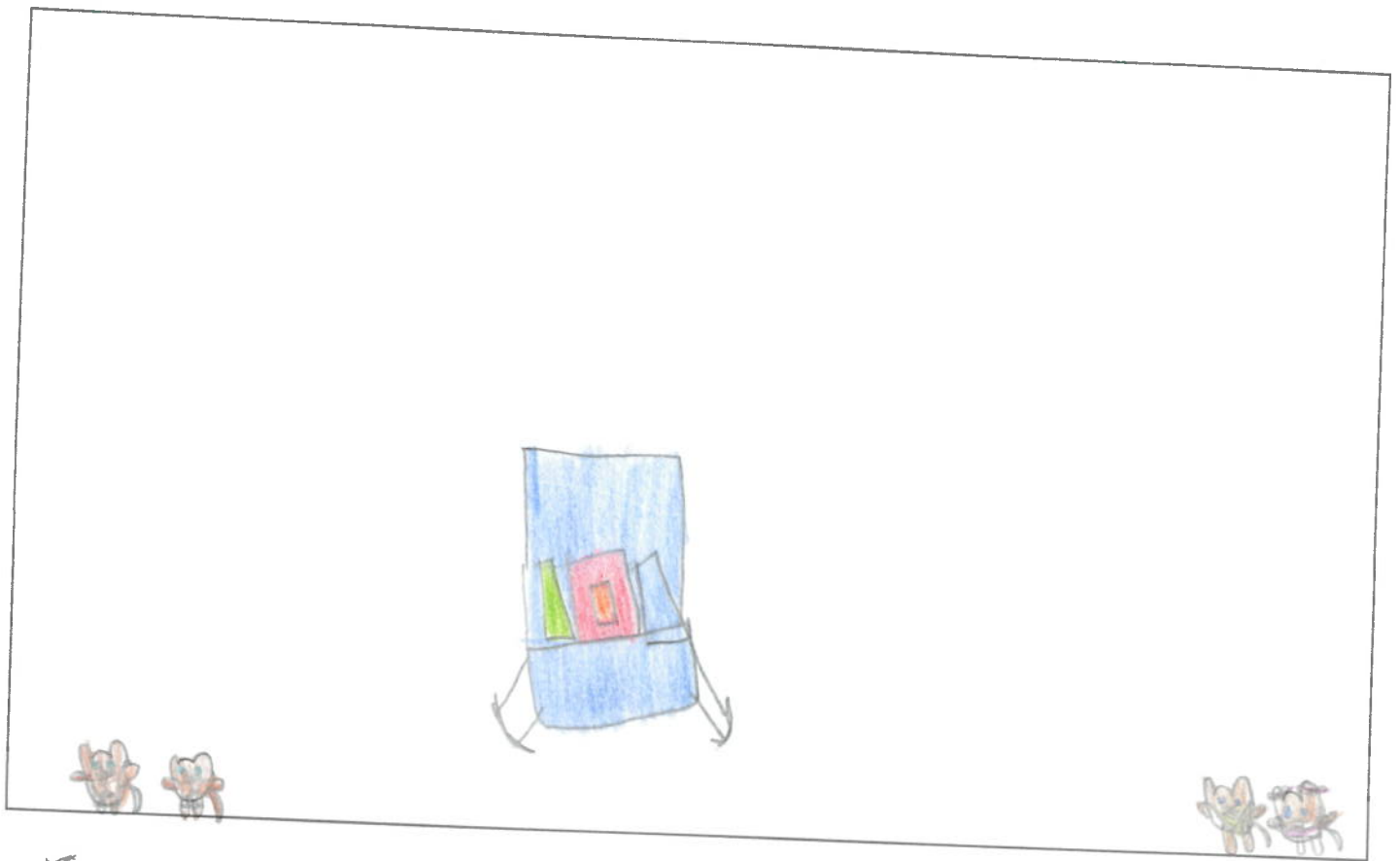
The first stop was the humans toy room. The toy cars were the perfect size for them to ride in! They scampered up the dollhouse stairs to play in the doll house kitchen with pots and pans.



Next stop they went to the living room to peer out the big window. They saw the rushing river which amazed both Martin children as they climbed down the rocking chair, it rocked and hit the wall which made a boom. The cat quickly came to see what was going on.



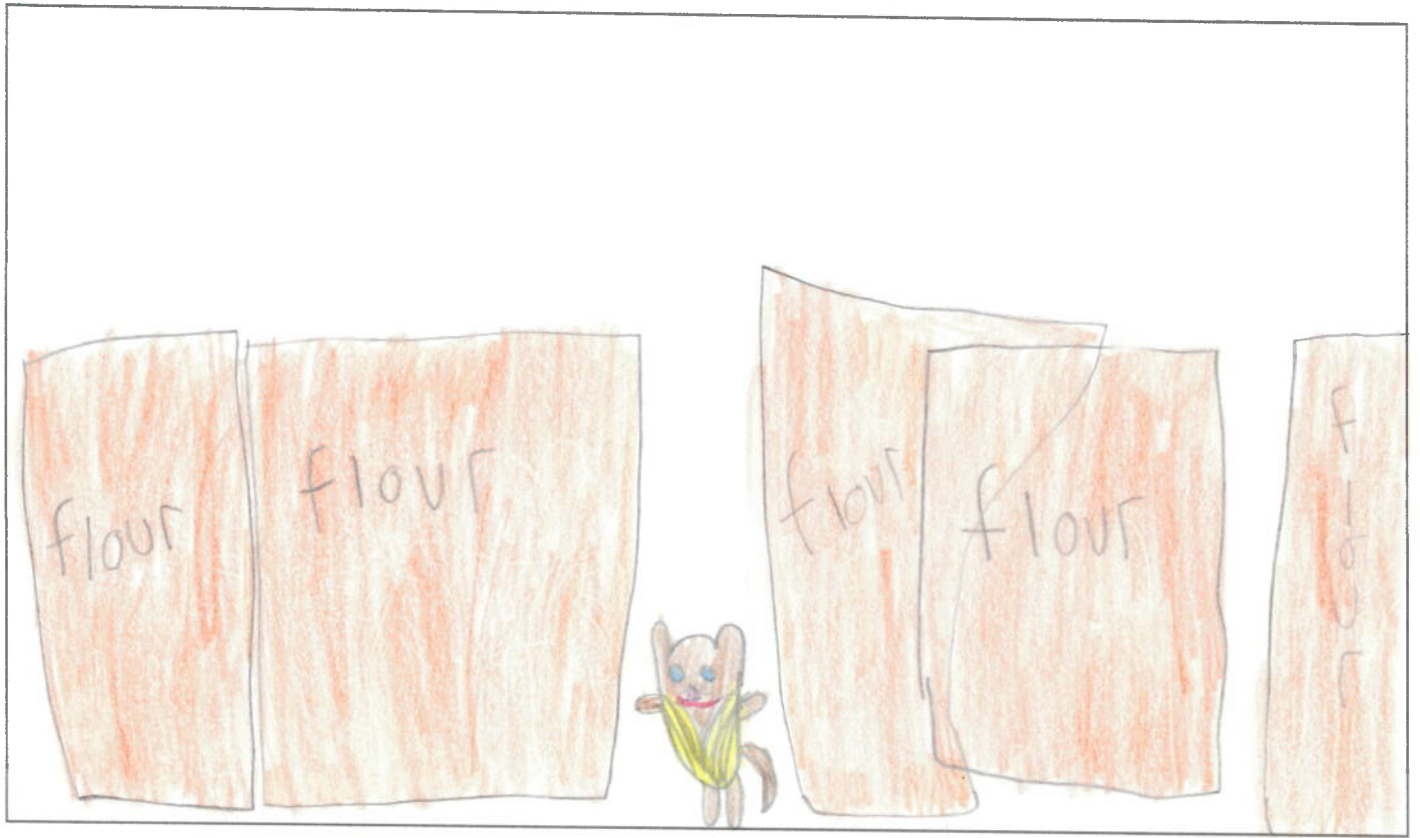
The Martin family  
scurried down the rocking  
chair but the cat was still  
inches behind them. As they were  
running Mrs. Martin wondered,  
"When did they get this cat?" For  
she had been out many times  
and had never seen such danger.



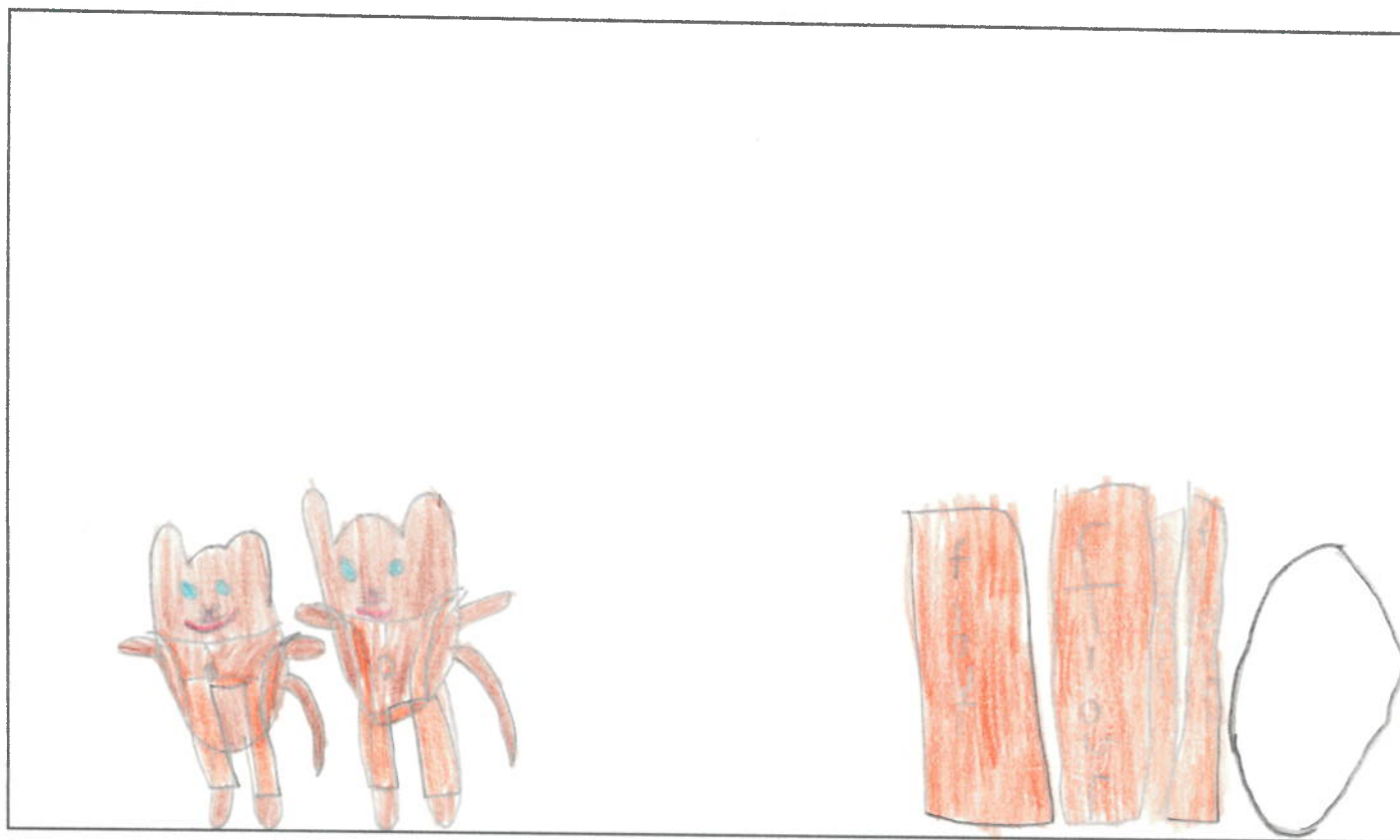
The Martin family  
decided to part ways and  
meet back at their mouse  
hole, for it would be the  
safest way.



The cat stopped, which way should it go? It decided to chase Mr. Martin and Max. While the boys were running for their lives, Mama and Molly made it home safely.



mama peered around the  
flour sacks wondering when  
they would be home? Had  
they been caught by the cat?



Just then she heard a  
squeak of delight as little  
Max was saying, "We're comin'  
Mama!..... We're here!" The Martin  
family were safe from that day on!



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