

THE BOOK LAND



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Dedication

For

My Loving

Parents, Teachers

And

Mother Mahamaya

Preface

The primary goal of the current educational system is to mould a productive citizen and a caring family member who is equipped with knowledge and skills. The main responsibility of the school is to identify and recognize children's talents, as well as to sharpen their skills to meet the needs of the nation and the world.

Our Alma Mater is constantly guiding and assisting children who are creative. This project has been an ongoing process at our school for many years, particularly in terms of writing books. Many skilled and enthusiastic young writers participated in this exercise for years, producing novice writers to field of literature. We regard this as a great victory and a national need at this hour.

To continue this effort, we have adopted digital technologies and an e-book project this year. I am confident that this unique event provided youngsters with valuable experience and challenges that will benefit them in the future.

The Ministry of Education has hailed the project as an important step toward motivating young authors in schools. As principal of Mahamaya Girls' College, I am grateful to all of the students throughout the country who contributed to this endeavor. I commend and applaud all of the young authors of these-books for their perseverance and devotion in this difficult task.

I would like to thank our school management committee, employees, parents, for my students, administrators, and teachers from other schools who encouraged students to take part in this worthwhile effort.

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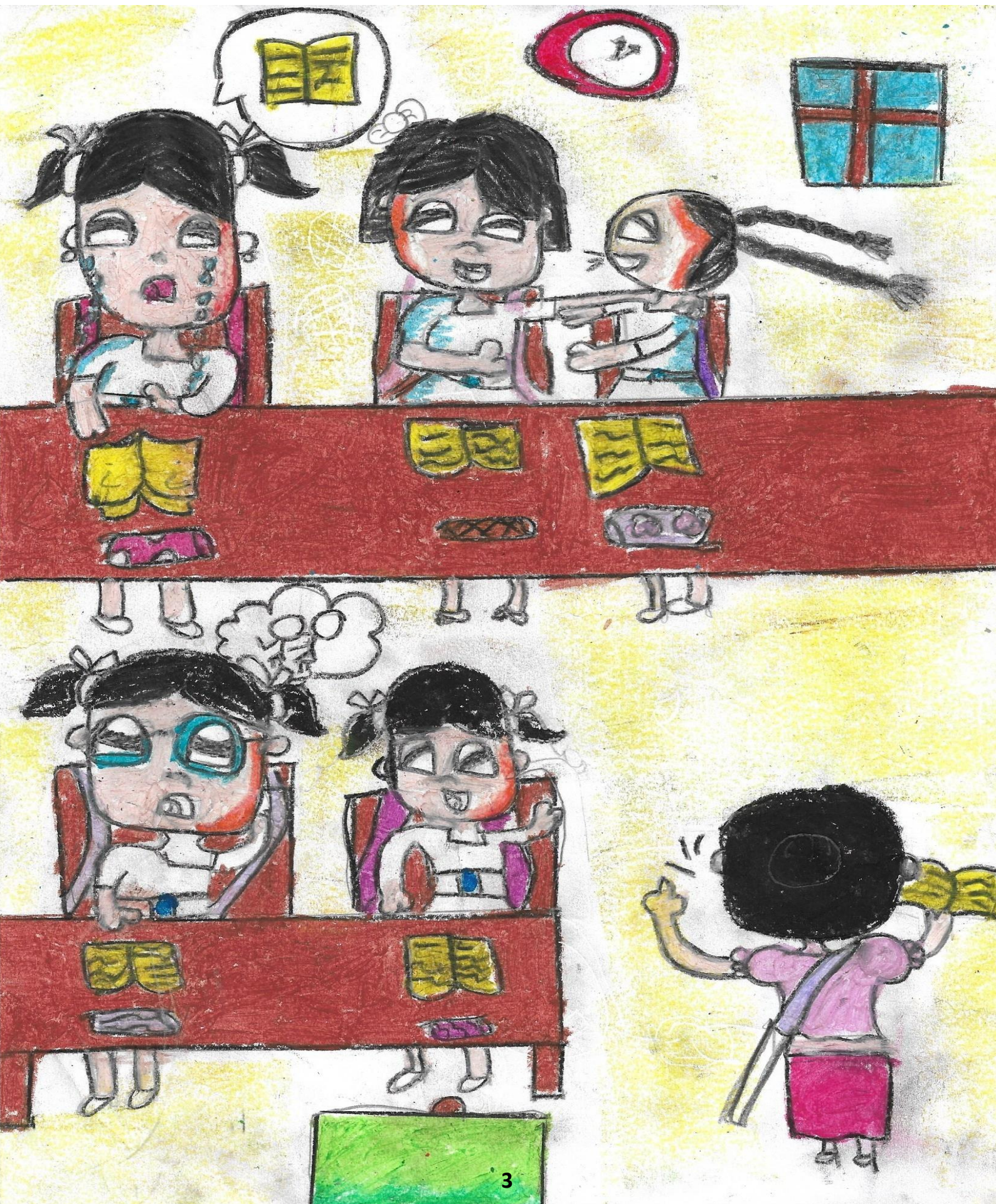
Kasuni is a joyful girl who went to school every day.



She enjoyed going to school. But she didn't like to study there. She went there to sing, play and dance.



Teacher scolded Kasuni for not doing her homework and for not learning the lessons.



Teacher phoned Kasuni's mother and told

"Kasuni's mom, don't send your daughter to the school without doing her homework again."



Kasuni's father came home in the evening.

"Kasuni, do your lessons well, if not I'm going to punish you "Father shouted in anger.



Kasuni ran to her bed room and cried and cried as she was very sad. Because both her father and teacher scolded her on the same day.



At the midnight suddenly a fairy came to Kasuni's room flashing light in the whole area.

She said with a charming voice "Kasuni, don't cry my baby. I'm going to take care of you" Kasuni stopped crying.



Fairy took Kasuni to the sky. She couldn't believe her eyes. Fairy had magical powers to make Kasuni fly in the sky. They both flew in to a beautiful paradise. It was filled with colourful books. Kasuni felt she had come to the heaven.

"Kasuni this is the book land. you will remember everything you learn here after. But don't take any book home. They are kept here for the fairies."

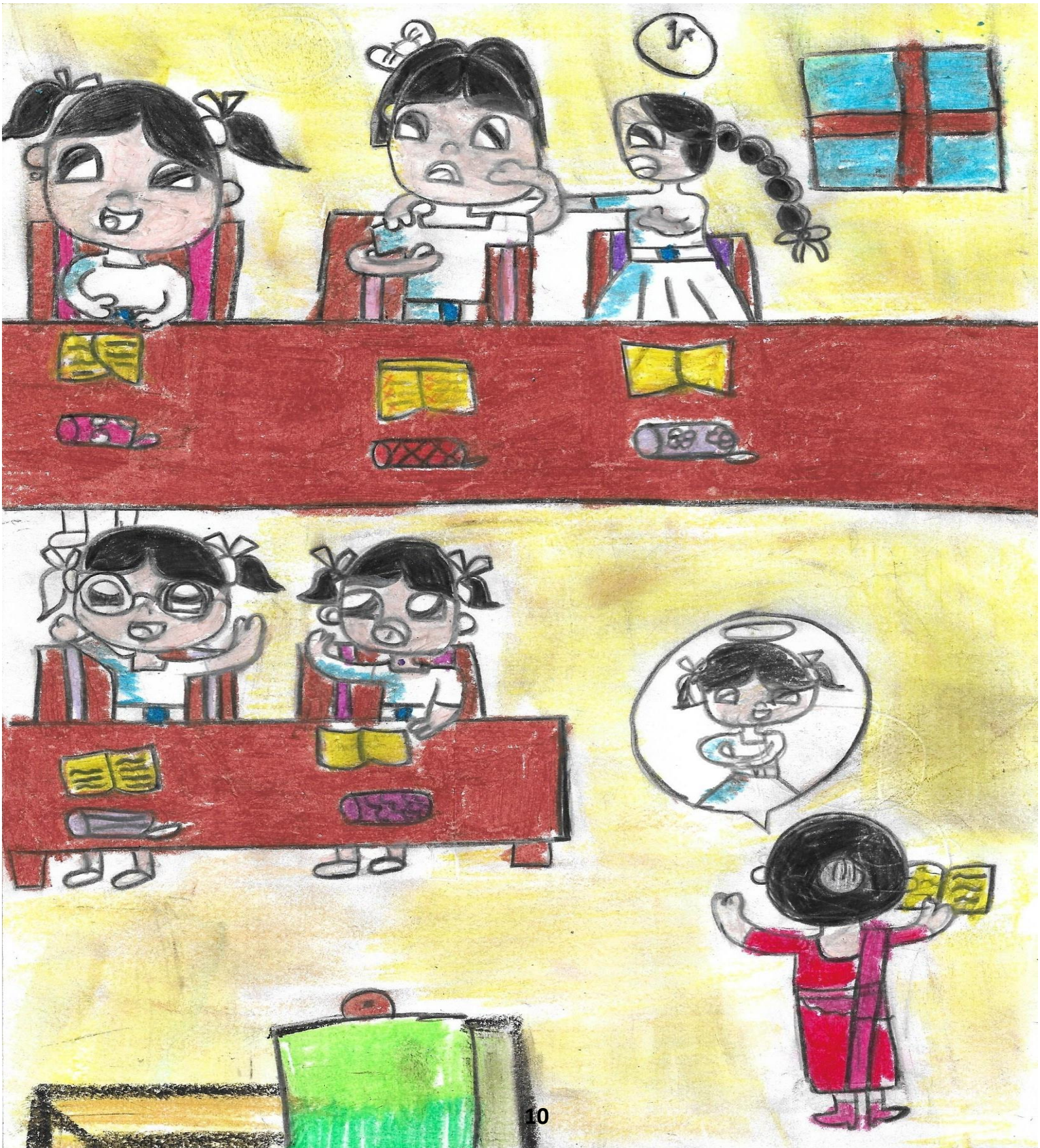


Kasuni started reading those colourful books. She learnt all the maths and lessons in a short time. She could remember everything she learnt .so she became the cleverest girl ever.

“That’s amazing, thank you fairy” Kasuni said. she read few story books as well and came back home safely.



The other day Kasuni went to school with all the home work done. She knew all the lessons taught. The class teacher was surprised with Kasuni's talents and knowledge. She was allowed to play, dance, sing and do all the extra activities in the school. parents didn't want to worry any more about Kasuni.



Kasuni became a fast learner and got through all the exams with flying colours and went for the highest studies to the university. She was selected to the medical faculty. There also she studied really well.



Then after five hard working years in the university and at the hospital she became a medical Doctor and helped the poor patients and the families, teachers and friends.

Kasuni didn't see the fairy again. But she believed the fairy would come back one day. Kasuni and parents lived happily ever after.



Afterword



As modern technology permeates the social and economic arenas, students tend to distance themselves from the creative process, relying more and more on technological tools. To reduce this risk and help aspiring young writers produce their own books, I sought and presented a research proposal to the Ministry of Education in 2014. It was a fantastic opportunity for children to showcase their enthusiasm and knowledge. The students of Mahamaya Girls' College achieved a record for the most books written, paving the way for a new level of innovation.

The e-book project will enable the students to reach international readers, and I am confident that they have gained new experiences and challenges that will enable them to face the future with resolve.

I wish all of the young writers the best of luck in their future endeavors

Senevirathna Mahalekm

Founder of Books Publishing Project Among School Children

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