

OH NO!
IT'S THE
KOVID KID!

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Special thanks to Dr. Caroline Hoshi for her design of the Kovid Kid.

Remember many years ago,
when the cousins had a sickee-ness.

It was caused by Herman Germ,
the evil blob of ickiness.



And not too long ago, we all met Miley Virus
With spikey yellow hair and red lines on her iris.
We were sure she'd steal our Christmas fun.
She was a wild and weirdly wicked one.



But the cousins came together from near and oh so fars.
They beat that Herman Germ and sent Miley to the stars.



And everyone was waiting for Christmas 2020.
Where everything would be alright, and hugs would be a plenty.

But what the cousins didn't know, that now can be revealed.

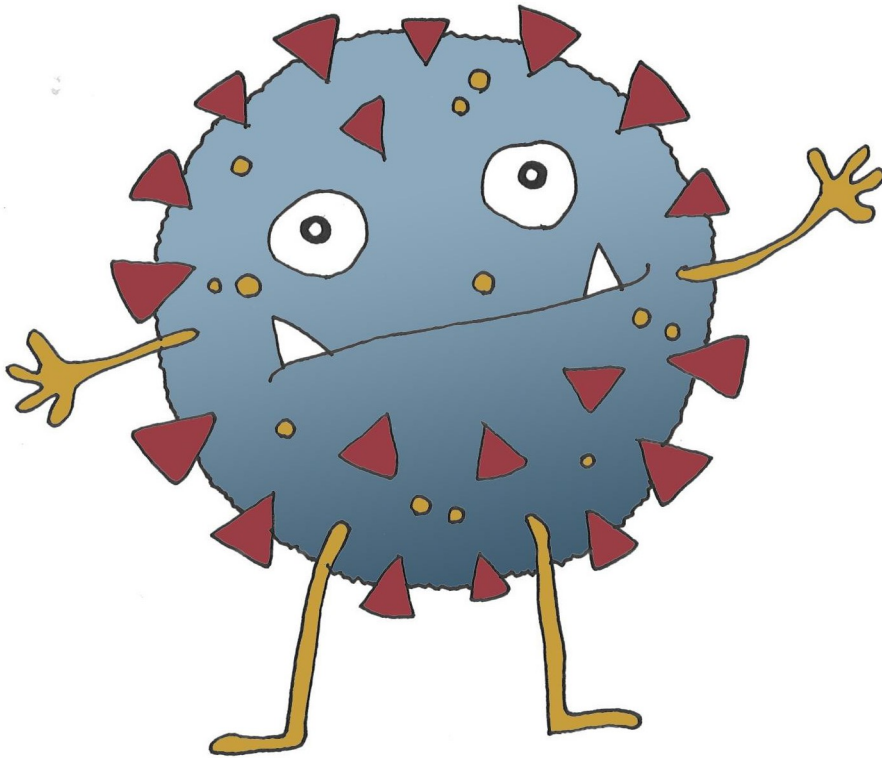
Last year, around Thanksgiving, a new partnership was sealed.



Herman Germ and Miley, got married. Yes, sadly, it is true.

And flippity flop, they had a son, who grew and grew and grew.

He is named the Kovid Kid and he started duplicating,
In every city round the world he was out there replicating.
Kovid, he hates people, and people like him less and less.
He's not a real nice houseguest, he makes a big, big, mess.



So, the cousins came together and wondering what to do,
To keep from getting sickly with a worse thing than the flu.
The adults had stuff to say, but they said it oh so loud.
The cousins didn't care about that, they just want to be allowed.

To get together sometime soon and play and play and play.
But before that all could happen, the Kovid Kid must go away.
They all picked up their phones and used something called a zoom.
And talk about the problem, each one in their zoom room.





Cooper



Caitlin



Violet



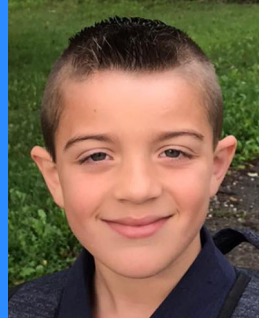
Anistyn



Kelsey



Andrew



Case



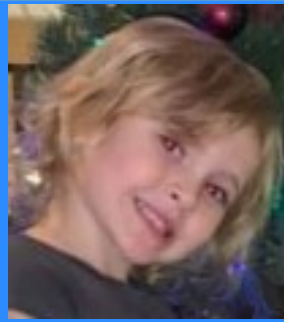
Leila



Teage



Peyton



Sophia



Tom



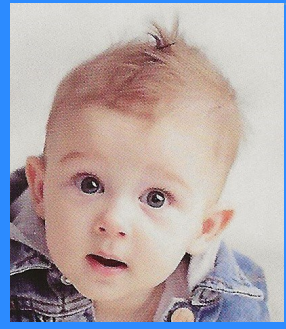
Austin Patrick



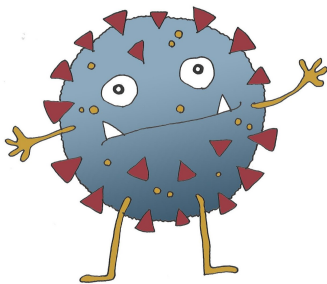
Frankie



Caleb



Kody



zoomrooms



Dominic

They all had great ideas about how to protect each other.
So they talked about their plans one after another.

The first idea was Violet's, "It's the best idea since Junes!"
"We'll fill the sky, up oh so high with a bunch of big balloons."
Sophia added. "The Kovid Kid will be oh so distracted,"
"That he'll leave us all alone and none of us will get impacted."

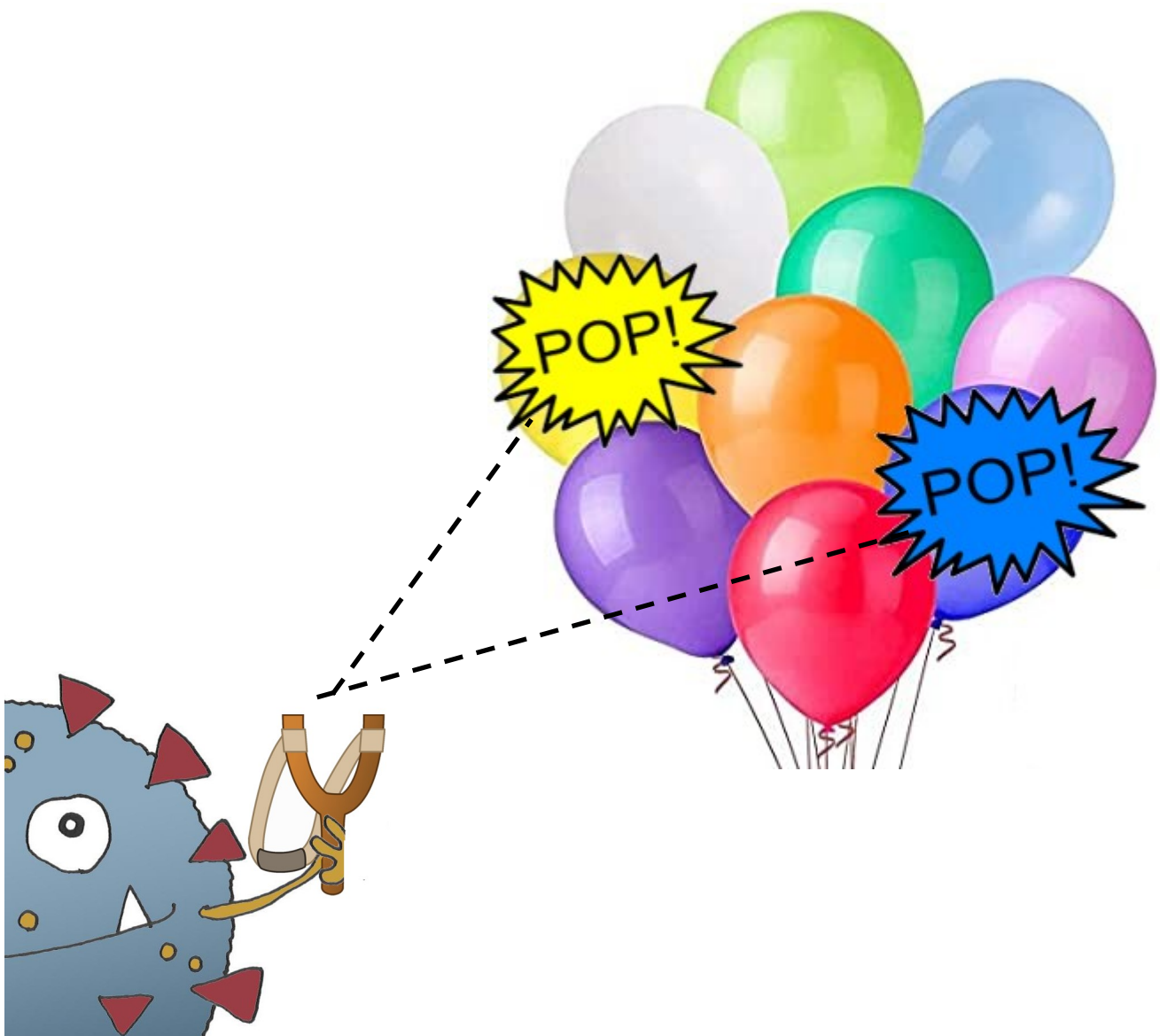
So, Caleb and Case blew up balloons till they ran out of air.
And as the ballons reached the clouds the Kid became aware.



You thought he'd chase balloons, as they flew up in the air
But instead he took his slingshot, took aim and with great care.

He began popping all the colors first blue and then the yellow.
He wasn't going to go away, he was nasty little fellow.

Caleb shouted, "Oh my goodness, he's making balloons pop."
"Maybe there is nothing we can do to make this Kovid stop."



Peyton from the zoom room exclaimed, "It's all in his head."
"He's not a very happy kid, he needs a makeover instead."
"Maybe he needs ribbons and bows, because he's very sad."
"And when he sees he's pretty he'll be nice and not so bad."

When he looked into the mirror the
Kid did not like it one bit.

He zoomed to Austin Patrick and said.
"Buddy, TAG. You're it!!!"



Case exclaimed. "Oh no, we hope Buddy is alright."

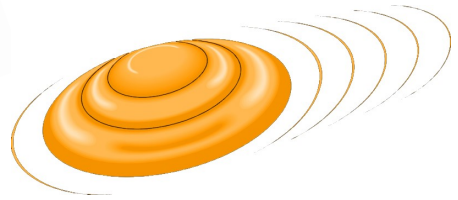
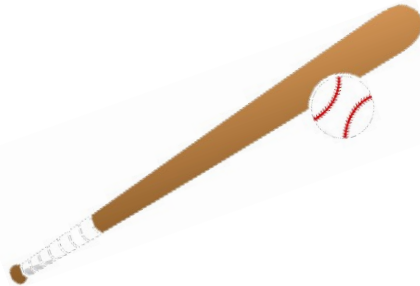
Cooper said. "We can't just sit, we have to find a way to fight."

Anistyn wants the cousins all together to play and play all day.

"Before that all can happen," she said, "the Kid must go away."

Andrew said “A truck, bat, or ball, or even frisbee.”

“Might keep the Kovid Kid very, very busy.”



Teage said, “Maybe, if we run in big circles for forever.”

“He won’t catch us at all.

Running could be kind of clever”



But, Buddy told the cousins “That idea isn’t a winner.”

“I tried that once and the Kovid Kid caught me while I ate dinner.”



Even Aunt Mary zoomed in to offer what she thinks she knows.

“If you want to get rid of this evil germ, feed him oregano!”

Leila thought about it and North Shore waves gave her a notion.

“We can send him on a big wave to the middle of the ocean.”



Cody and Dominic before a word they each could say,



Started crying and hoping the Kid would go away.

Cody stopped crying and made sounds heard though his zoom,
That replaced his big tears and filled up the zoom room.

He said, **Wuh!Wuh!Wuh!**

and said it more like a big scream.

Dominic joined with **Wuh!Wuh!Wuh!**

In harmony it seemed.

Like a choir of “Wuh’s” one louder than the other.

And it left everyone shocked, every sister and brother.

“What?” Kelsey asked. “What are these Wuh’s? What is it they are saying.”

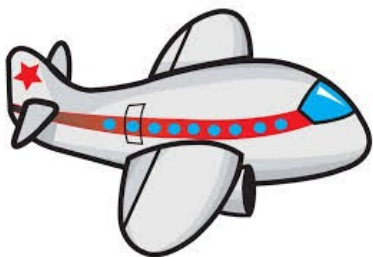
Sophia added. “It’s a clue. Or maybe nothing but some praying.”

Caitlyn said, “Maybe Tom knows, he has a big baby brain.”

But when they asked, he was too busy looking for airplanes.

Looking out the windows and outside in the skies.

Is there a plane that Tom could see with his two baby eyes?



Frankie said, “Maybe **Wuh!Wuh!Wuh!** means something that is true.”

“Something we should know to beat this worse thing than the flu.”

Sophia thought for a moment and thought again and said.

“I don’t know about all that, I’ll just say **Wuh!Wuh!Wuh!** instead!”

Kelsey and Cooper said, “Wait it could be true.”

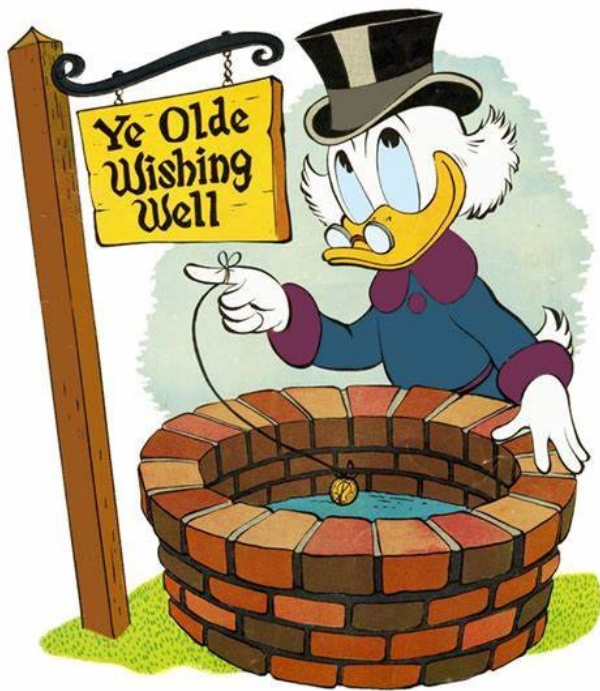
“That the answer to the Kovid Kid is all in double u’s”

W (the double u)

Leila knew the letters and said, “Before x and after v.”

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ **W** XYZ

“Like **wish** begins with W, and I wish no Kovid Kid I’d see.”



Teage and Caitlin spoke together, “Wishing’s not the way.”

“And if it was, we’d have surely wished this Kid away.”

Andrew thought of all the things he'd put on Santa's list,
And there before his eyes was something he had missed.

"The list we make for Santa is for what we want this year."

"And **want** begins with W, and we want him gone it's clear."

Anistyn added "Let's just tell Santa we need his help on this."

"Just keep that Kovid Kid away, that'll fill our hearts with bliss!"



Violet said, “I think we’re looking at this whole thing upside down.”

“We just can’t wish or want, ‘cause the Kovid Kid is all around.”

Leila exclaimed, “I’ve got it. We’ll warn his mom and dad.”

“Tell them of the mess he makes and how he’s being bad.”

But Buddy in a weakened voice from catching this disease.

“His folks are evil sickies too, they might just be quite pleased.”

“After all it is old Herman Germ and that wacky Miley Virus.”

“Who brought us all the Kovid Kid, that was something not desirous.”



Peyton agreed that, wish, or want, or warn would never due.

“But I’m convinced the babies are right and it begins with W.”

Aunt Mary tried again and said, “Oregano’s in bloom!”



But it doesn’t begin with W, so the cousins blocked her zoom.

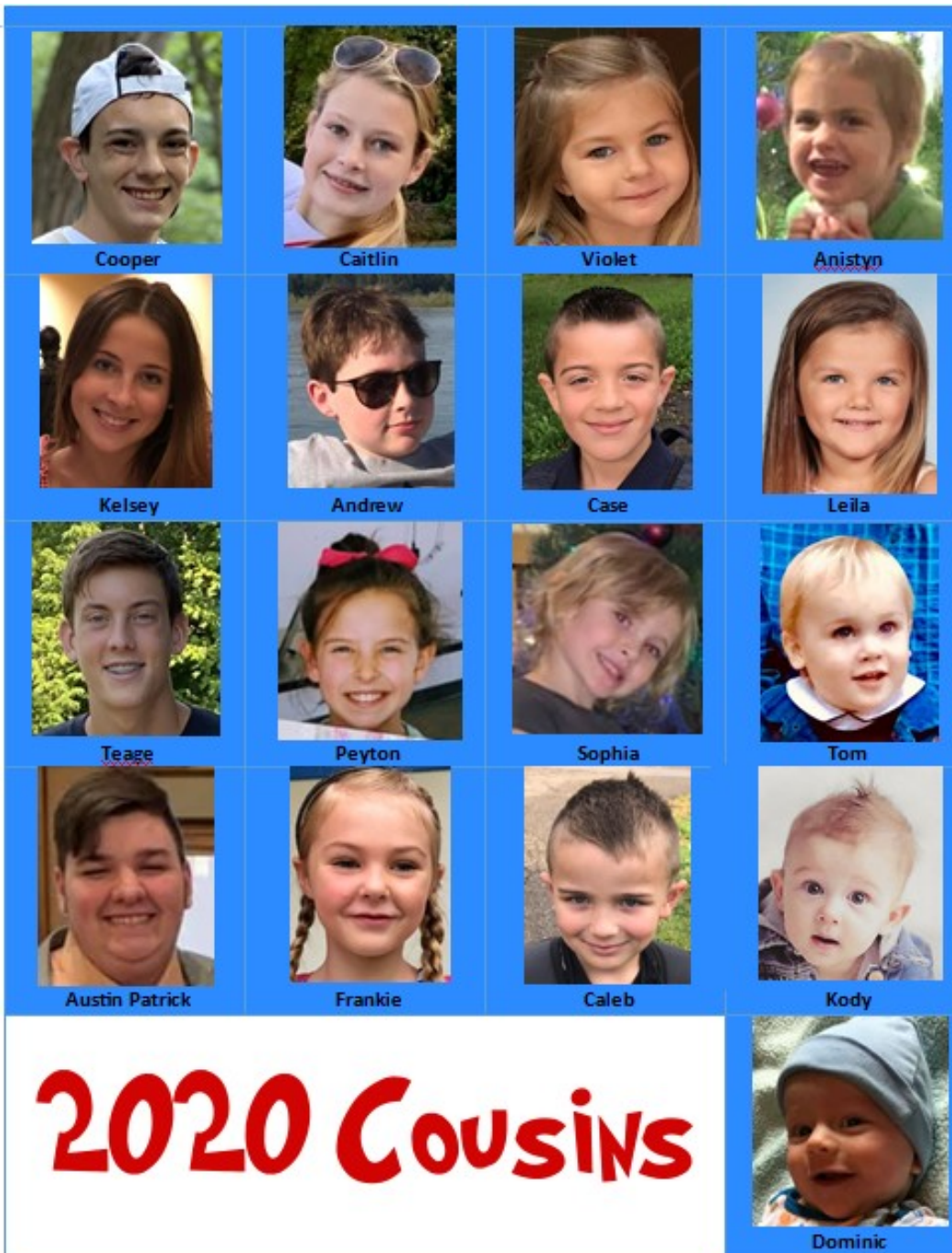


“Wait just a minute.” Frankie said. “Let’s list the W words we know.”

“Like wheel, wing, wild and wiggle and you tell a horse to whoa.”

Case said, “I know another one, it’s the best of words you’ll see.”

“Because the only way to fix this mess is to use a word called WE.”



Anistyn likes that word. “Together WE can get things buzzin.”

Caleb likes it too, “WE are the 2020 cousins.”

And Cooper said, “There’s more, something that WE can do.”

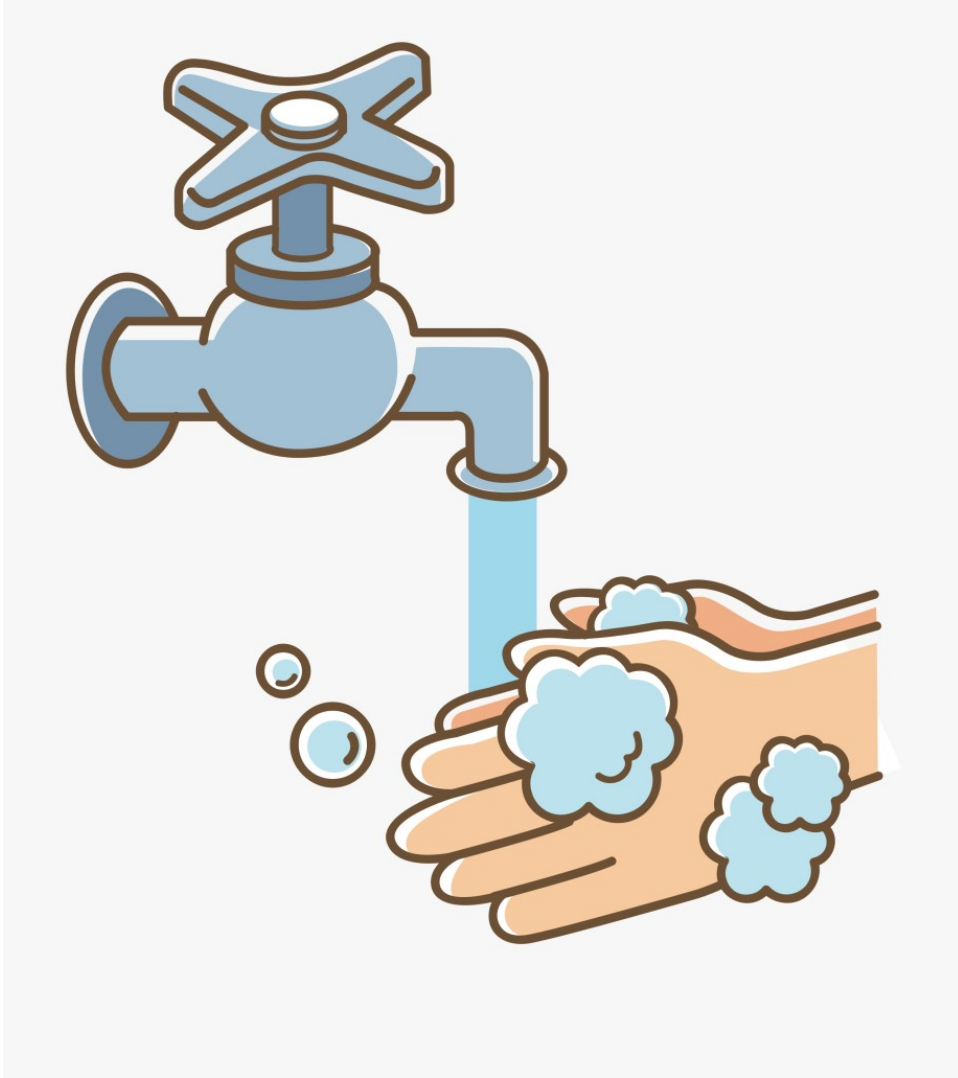
“To get this Kovid Kid away and his worse thing than the flu.”

“That’s true.” Andrew said. “What are things we should be doing?”

“To keep us from the Kovid Kid and his much worse than fluing.”



Frankie said. "WE wash our hands with soap and water that is hot"
"Wash a few times everyday and when our parents think we ought."

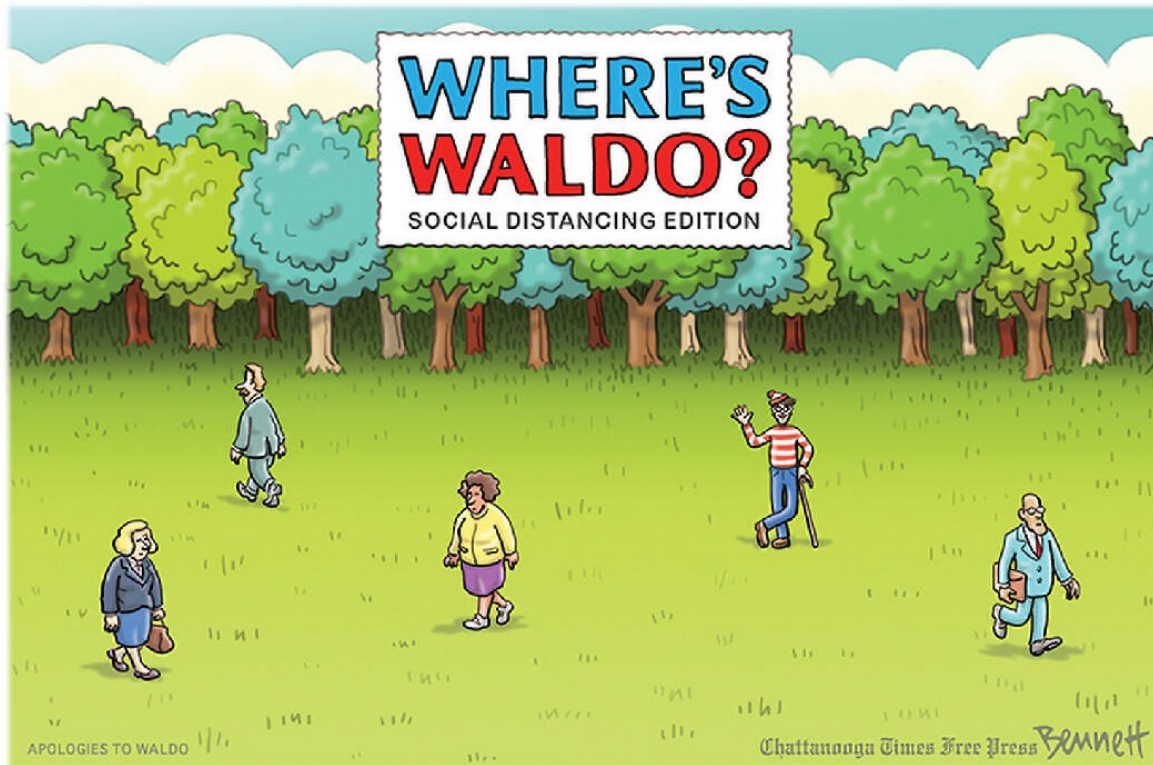


Teage said. “Not just that. WE should do a little more.”

“To keep that crazy Kovid Kid from coming in our door.”

“Watch how close we get to those who aren’t with us everyday.”

Peyton said “A little distance, keeps the Kovid Kid away.”

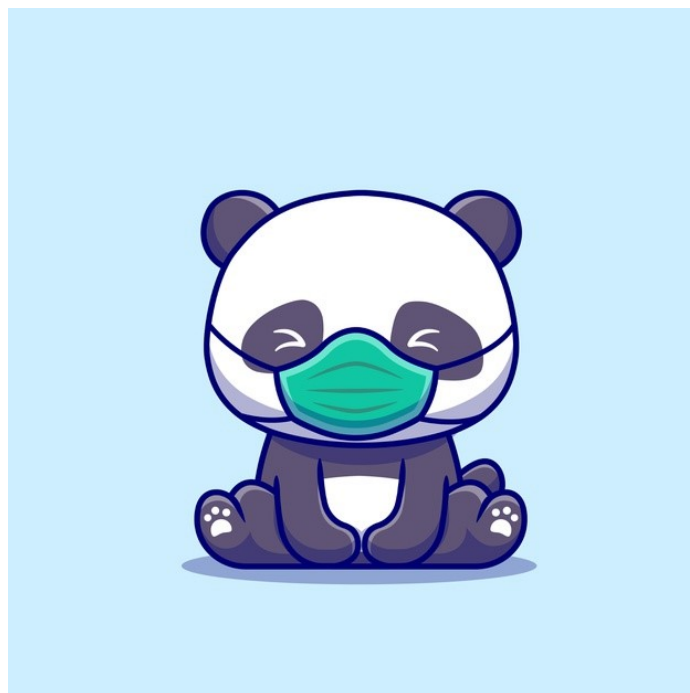


“Although WE like to hug those we haven’t seen in quite a while.”

“WE can simply say hello and give them our best smile.”



And Violet explained “When you’re at a store, or game or at the fair.”
“A cover for your nose and mouth is something you should always wear.



And then Dominic and Kody began to giggle loudly.

With a happy **Wuh Wuh Wuh** they announce quite proudly.

“Here’s what the boys were saying,” Caitlin said “WE know it’s true.”

“To beat that Kovid Kid, WE have to do the things we need to do.”

And then Tom looked in the sky and saw a funny plane.
Taking off to leave and we hope it never comes again.

In the plane, ole' Santa Clause, with him that evil Kovid Kid
WE hope that the Kid is gone for good, 'cause the cousins did
what WE just did.



And we'll do what we should do to keep that Kovid Kid away.
We'll wash and watch and wear and keep safer every day.

Merry Christmas