

BUGGLEBURY



'Crystal's Wish'

Fifth Draft

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Crystal's Wish:

After seeing CARLOS the Caterpillar emerge from a chrysalis as a beautiful butterfly, CRYSTAL the caterpillar longs to fly over the garden with him... but how can she fly without wings? Her friend Fly tells her that “all good things come to those who wait” but Crystal is too impatient and says she wants to give it a go NOW!

Her Bugglebury friends rally round to find a solution, and after a few failed attempts the answer seems to come from a dandelion puff! Spinny the spider helps attach Crystal to the puff, the wind picks her up and off she goes! But suddenly the group watch FRED the Gardener come onto the scene with some forbidden insecticide to spray on the roses! The breeze takes Crystal straight toward the rose bushes and the group watch with horror as Crystal heads for a potentially perilous predicament! Will she survive – will someone come to her rescue?

LESSONS LEARNED.

- Being a little living thing in a big world isn't always easy, and our friends must stick together and look out for each other at all times.
- One of the great miracles of nature is the transformation of a butterfly from its larvae, into a caterpillar. It starts as a tiny egg, which in turn becomes a hungry caterpillar, munching leaves voraciously. Then the caterpillar takes on the silk form of the chrysalis, from which finally emerges a beautiful adult butterfly.

Effects of Climate change: Climate change, with temperatures getting warmer, means that butterflies (and their nocturnal cousins, the moths) are dealing with the challenge of how to remain in their optimal temperature window.