

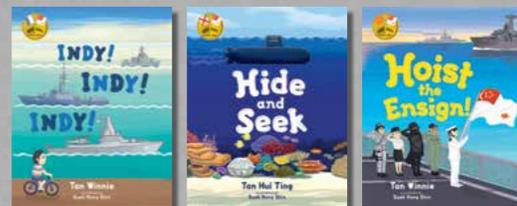
Papa Goes to Sea

Four-year-old Emily shares what happens when her Papa sails on a Navy frigate out to sea. Through their conversations and her imagination, she experiences her Papa's life at sea and realises why his job in the Navy is important.

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To my Navy Family at sea
on ships big and small

And our families who
love us from ashore

—Winnie

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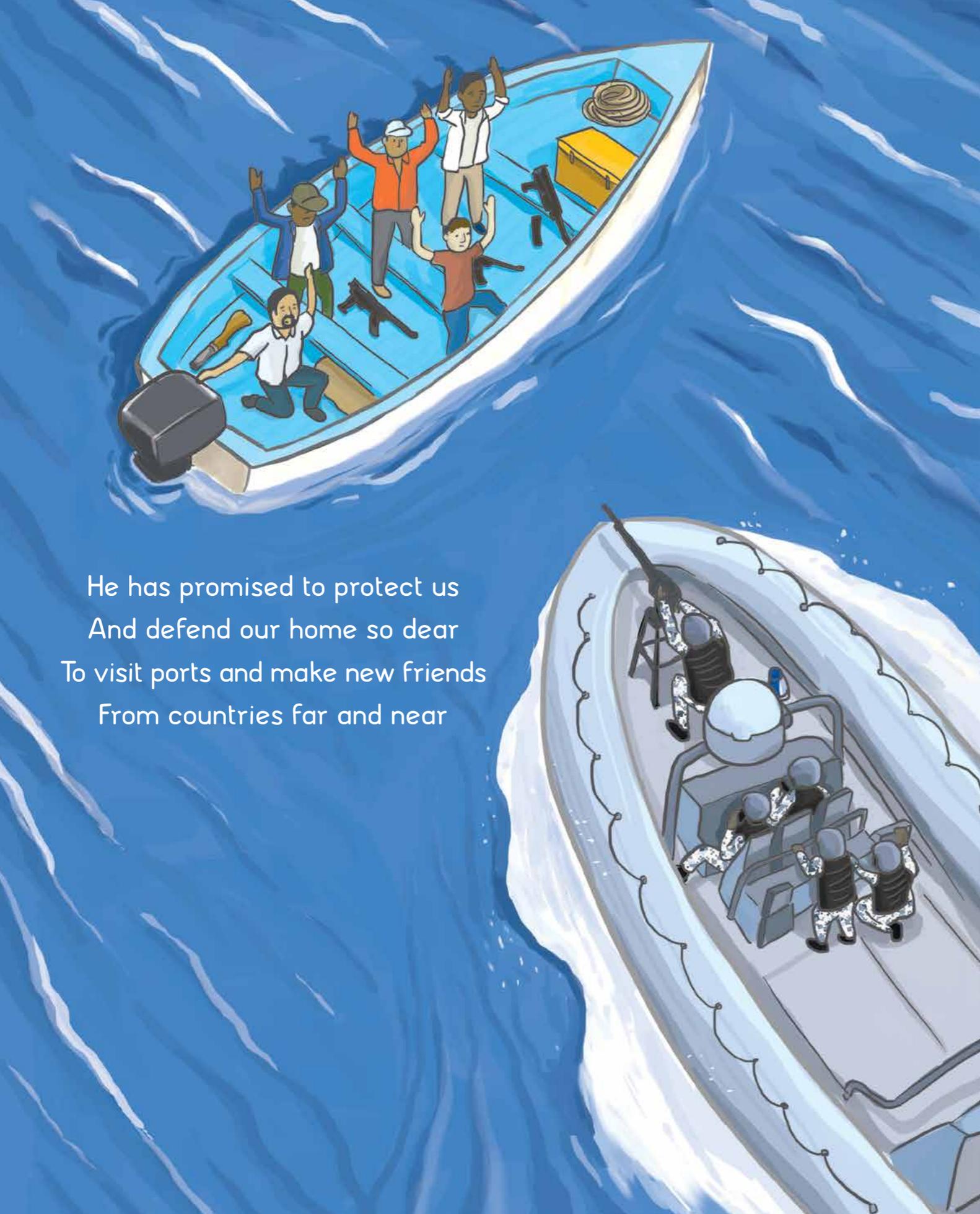




My Papa's in the navy
He's sailing out to sea
To places far from Singapore
To keep the sea lanes free



Before he left he said to me
I'll call each day at two
To tell you of my duties
And a few adventures too

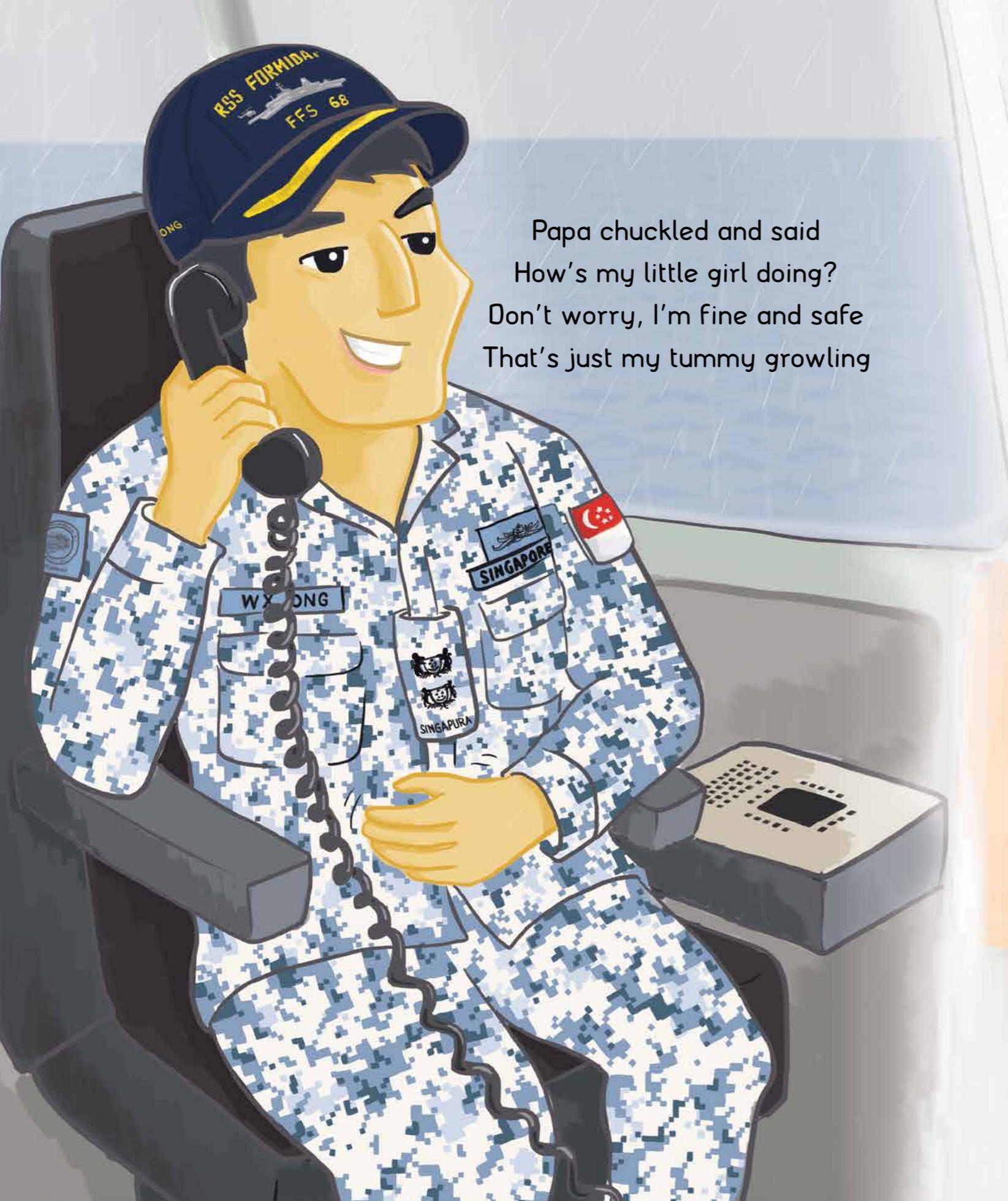


He has promised to protect us
And defend our home so dear
To visit ports and make new friends
From countries far and near





The first time Papa called home
He said it was smooth sailing
But I could hear the waves crash
And the angry winds wailing



Papa chuckled and said
How's my little girl doing?
Don't worry, I'm fine and safe
That's just my tummy growling



I think Papa's very brave
He says that isn't so
He just wants to keep us safe
From terrorists and foe

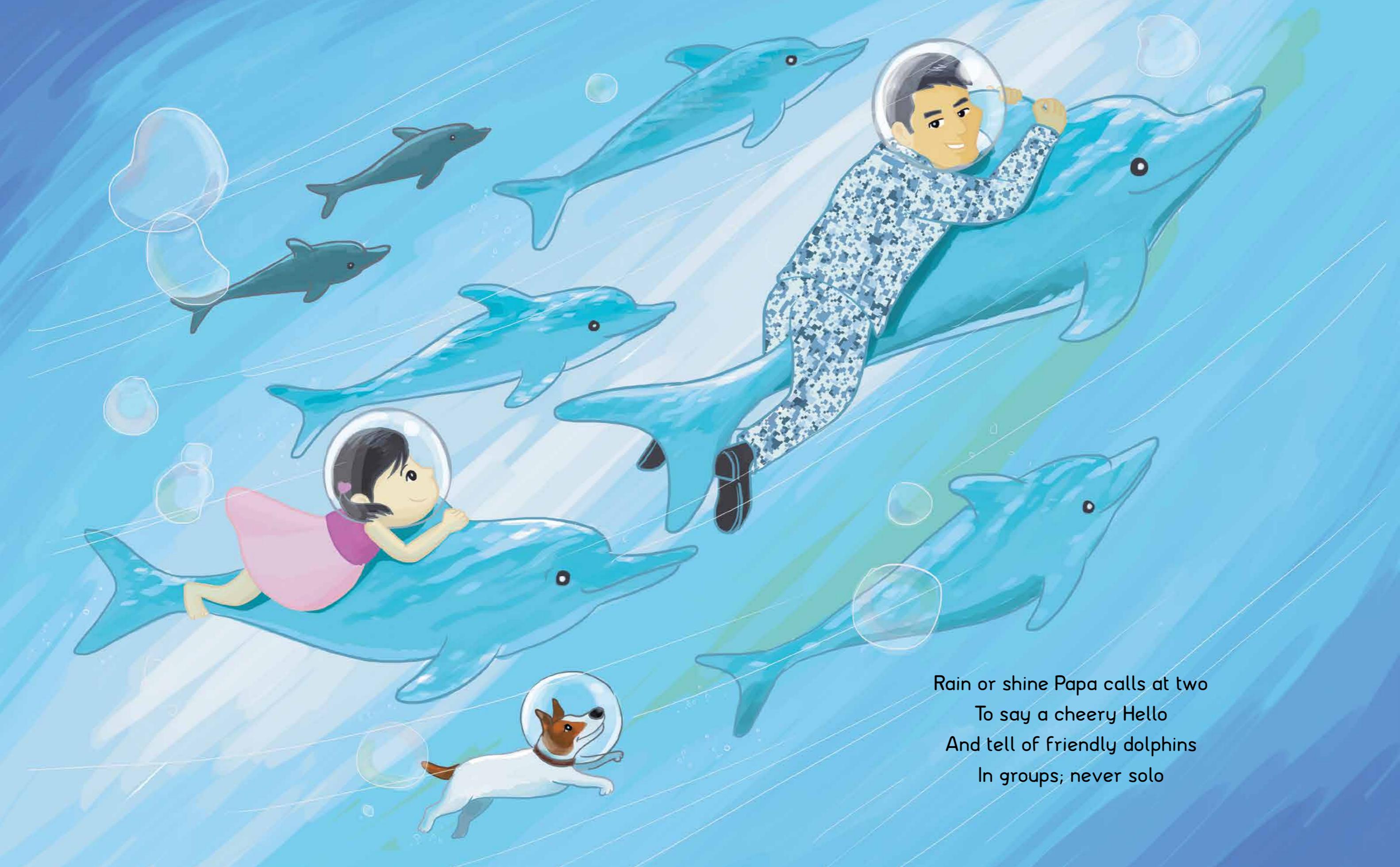




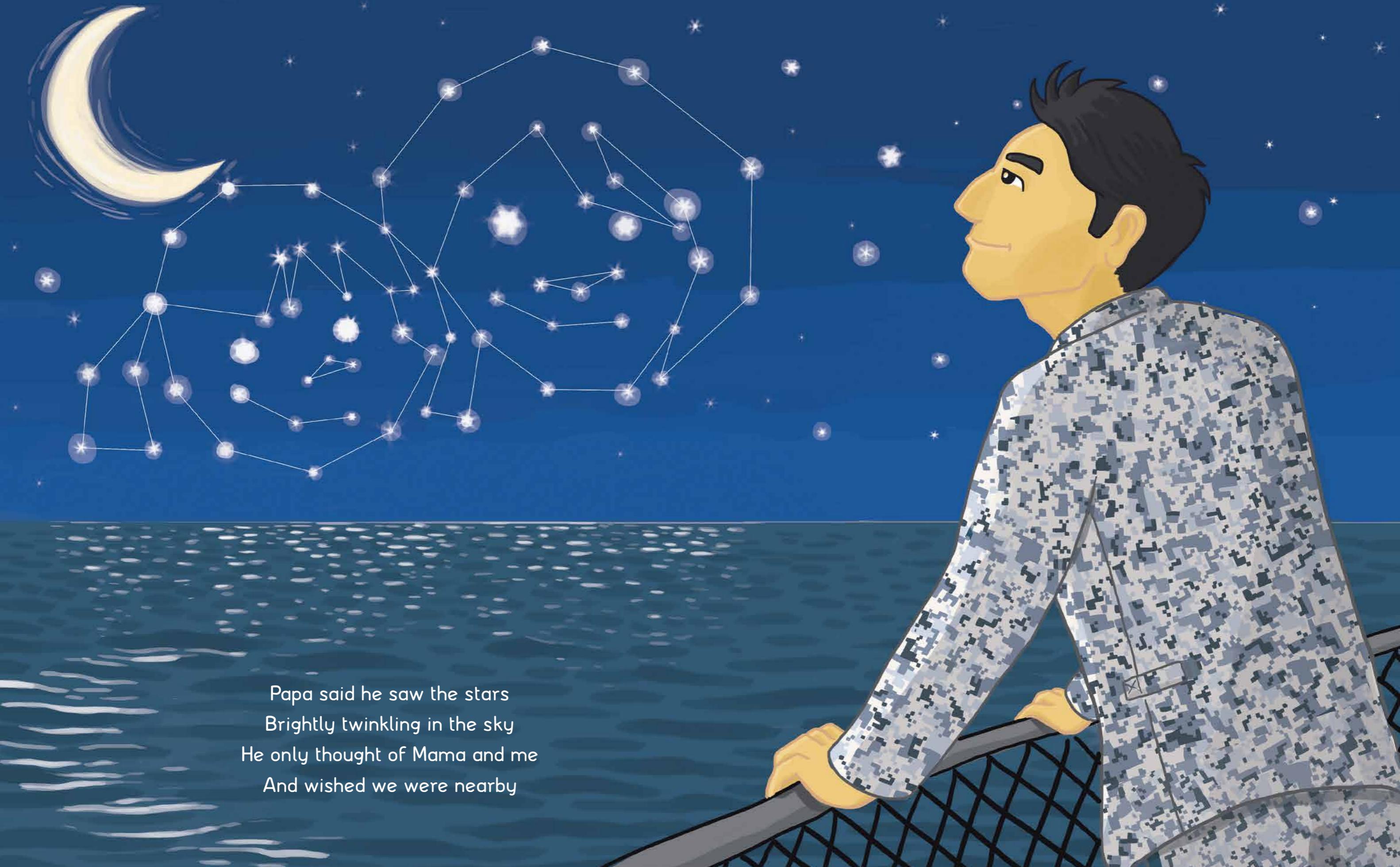
He showed us ships that sailed his way
Container ships and tankers
Carrying all sorts of goods
From cars to my favourite crackers



When I look out my window
And see ships out at sea
The ships that sail to Singapore
Look just the same to me



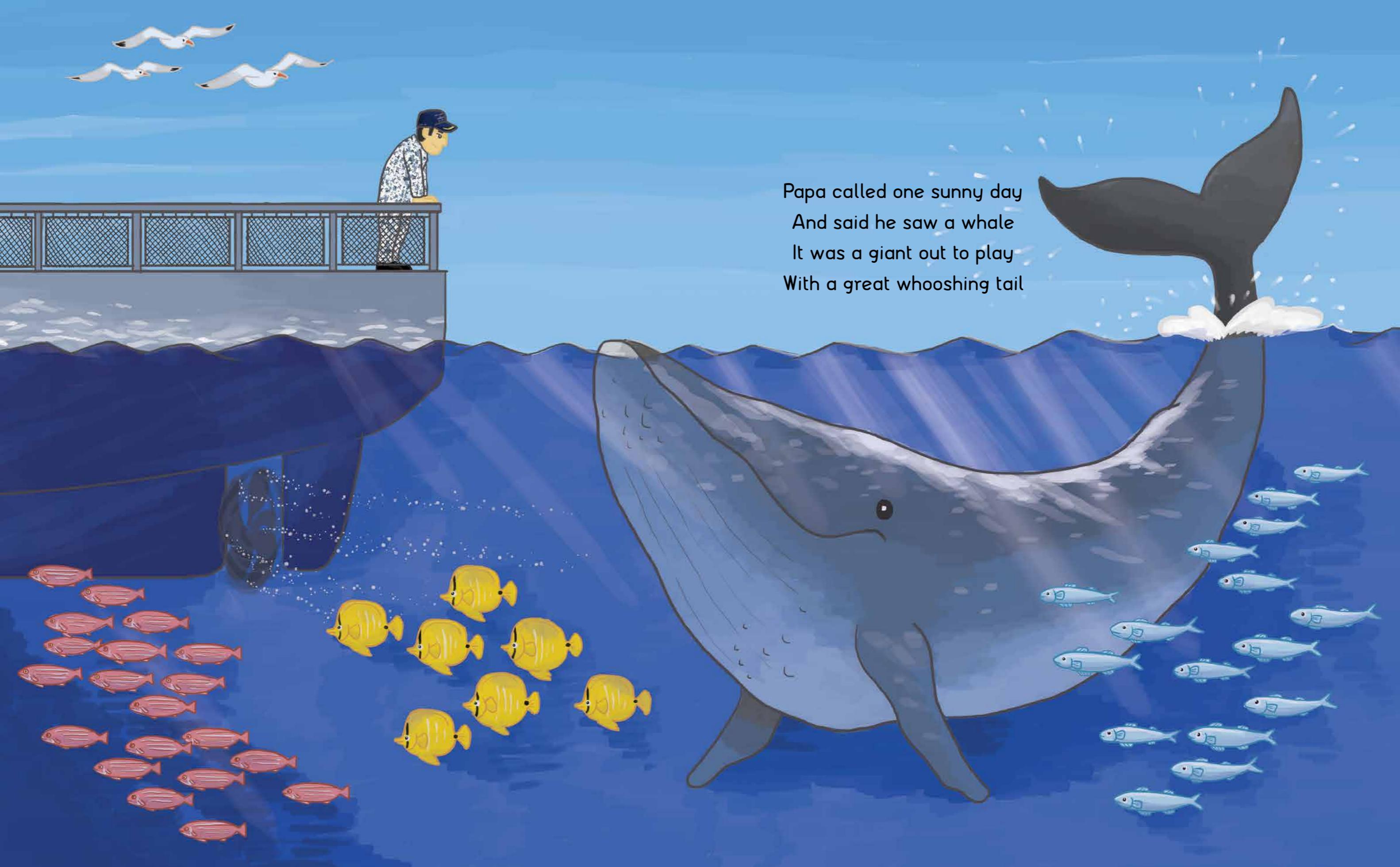
Rain or shine Papa calls at two
To say a cheery Hello
And tell of friendly dolphins
In groups; never solo



Papa said he saw the stars
Brightly twinkling in the sky
He only thought of Mama and me
And wished we were nearby



At home we used scissors and glue
To create constellations
We made a sky of midnight blue
And drew Papa in the ocean!



Papa called one sunny day
And said he saw a whale
It was a giant out to play
With a great whooshing tail

Oh Papa where are you?
Foreign shore or open sea?
Are you having dinner too?
Wish you were home with me



Papa says he's coming home
His frigate docks at two
Wish I could fly to the port
Hug him tight and say 'I love you'

Oh, tell me more adventures
And stories out at sea
Of the brave women and men
Protecting Singapore and me!





This is an example of
a typical day aboard

- ⌚ 6:00am Breakfast
- ⌚ 9:30am Warfare operations
- ⌚ 1:30pm Fire fighting drills
- ⌚ 4:30pm Team sports
- ⌚ 8:00pm Helicopter operations

Call
home
at 2pm

