Kiki's Happy Accident

A FatesFables Story

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Meet the friends of Whispering Wood



Tilly · Dash · Pip · Bruno · Kiki · Grandma Hoot



It was the day of the Whispering Wood Art Show! Bunting fluttered between the trees, the paint pots were full of bright colours, and everyone was painting a picture for Grandma Hoot's big wall.



“Ooh, I have an idea! I'm going to paint the most beautiful butterfly in the whole wood!” said Kiki.



Kiki painted very carefully. A blue wing here. A yellow spot there. It was nearly finished.



But then, a cheeky gust of wind came whooshing through the glade. It tugged at the bunting. It rattled the easels. And it giggled through the leaves.



Wobble, wobble, SPLASH! Kiki's paint pots tipped right over her picture!



“Oh no! My butterfly! It's all splodgy and messy. It's ruined!” said Kiki.



“I'm going to throw it away and give up,” said Kiki.



“Wait, Kiki! Don't throw it away yet. Look closely!” said Pip.



So Kiki dried her eyes, and looked again. Really, really closely. Pip held up his little magnifying glass, and together they peered at every splash and every drip.



“Look, the blue splash looks just like a big ocean wave!” said Tilly.



“And that yellow splodge is a sun! And the red one looks like a little boat!” said Bruno.



“And the green drips look like a whole island of palm trees!” said Dash.



“Ooh! It's not a butterfly anymore. It's a whole adventure at the seaside!” said Kiki.



Kiki's eyes sparkled. She picked up her brush again, and added a few little touches. A white seagull here. Some sparkles on the waves there. And a tiny flag on top of the boat.



That afternoon, all the paintings went up on the big wall, and Grandma Hoot looked at every single one, very carefully.



“My, my! Kiki, how did you make such a bright and splashy sea?” said Grandma Hoot.



“It was an accident! The wind tipped my paint. I almost threw it away!” said Kiki.



“Gather round, little ones. Sometimes a mistake is really a surprise present. But only if we stop, and look closely,” said Grandma Hoot.

The End

A mistake can be a gift, if you look closely.

Let's talk about it

What did the wind do to Kiki's painting?

What did the friends see in the splashes?

Have you ever made a mistake that turned out well?

About FatesFables

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