

This is Morag. She is just like every other little girl you might be lucky enough to meet in the street. She is bright, happy and loves school where she gets to join all of her friends, at least, she did love school.



Things changed recently when her dad had to move for work. Now Morag goes to a different school where her name sounds different and her red hair, freckles and Scottish accent make her stand out.



Being different meant that the other girls would bully her and she was finding it hard to make friends. She spent much of her free time Hiding in the library when, one lunchtime, she saw some books about her old home and began reading them.



"I wish I could make people see that different can be fun," she said to herself and then the idea came to her, "why don't I show them how great it is being Scottish (Scottish flag) and tell them about all of the wonderful people I have met, places I have been and the things I have done?"

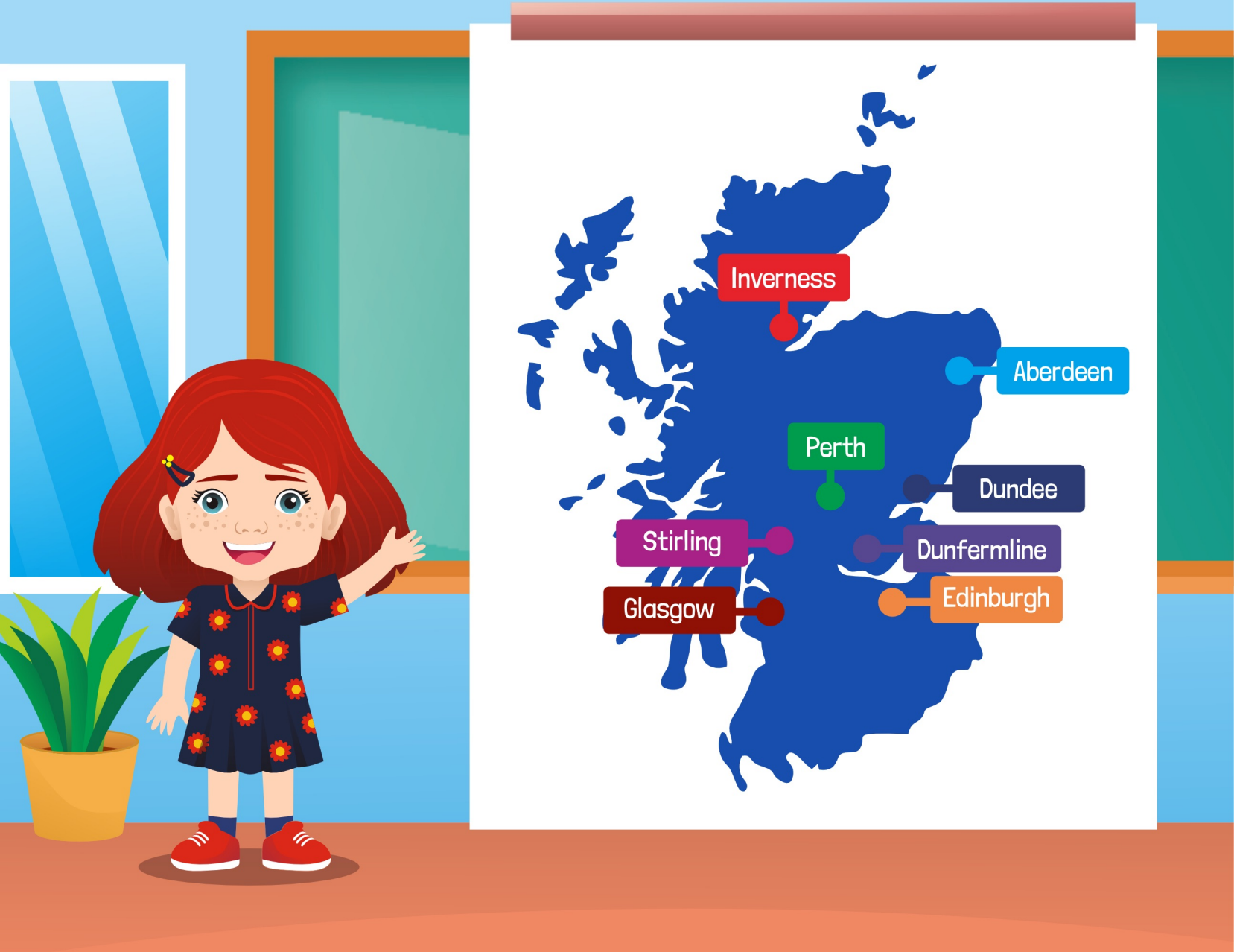
It was a good plan, but she would need help from her teacher with some computer work. Teachers can be helpful if you behave in class and ask nicely.

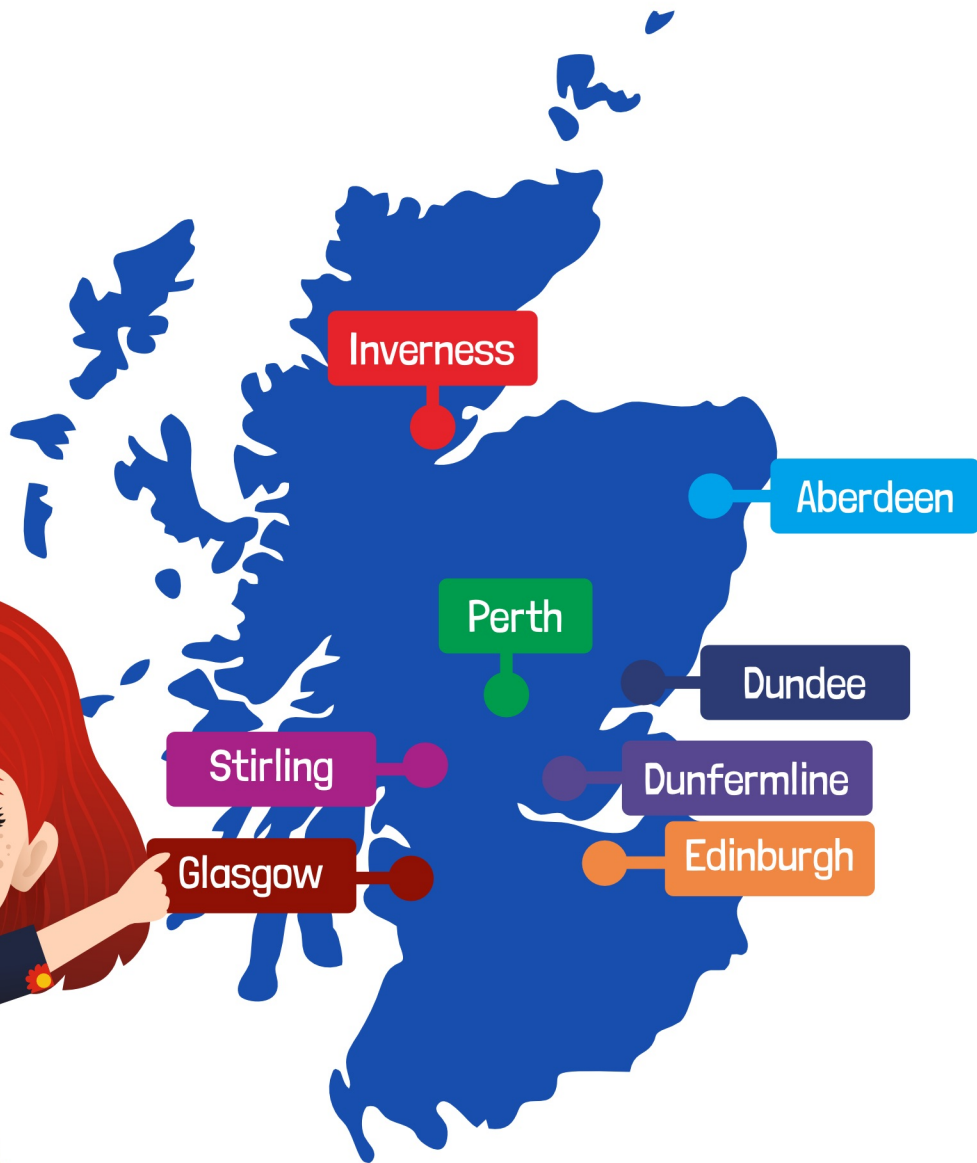




Coming from Glasgow, Morag decided to show what life was like there. She wanted everyone to see that, although it was a different place, kids there liked the same things and shared the same values. She accepted that she was different but knew that different wasn't something to be scared or ashamed of.

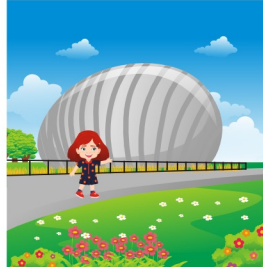
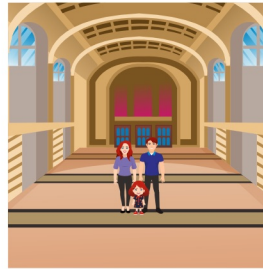
Friday saw Morag standing at the front of the class. The screen behind her showed a map of Scotland with the eight cities of Aberdeen, Dundee, Dunfermline, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Inverness, Perth and Stirling.





She pointed to Glasgow and said, "I used to live here, the fifth biggest city in the whole of the UK." Well, that got their attention.

Morag talked about all the things she loved about her old home while photos of her at various locations with her friends and family played on the screen.





There was a picture of her with her mum and dad at the Kelvingrove art gallery.

with her friends at the science
museum which looked like a silver UFO
from some angles.



They even had a huge
Imax theatre there.



Talking of Theatres, she showed them a picture of the theatre Royal which was the home of the Scottish ballet.

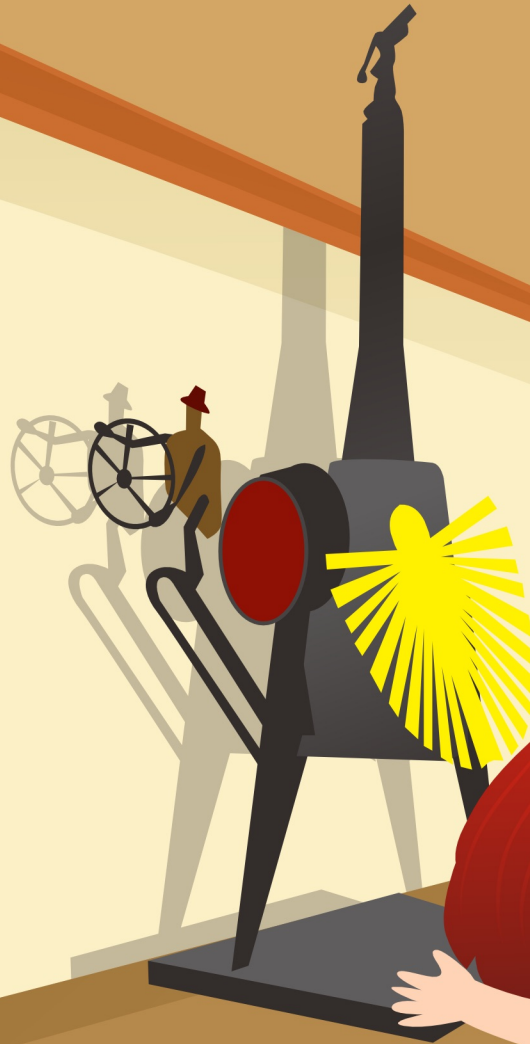
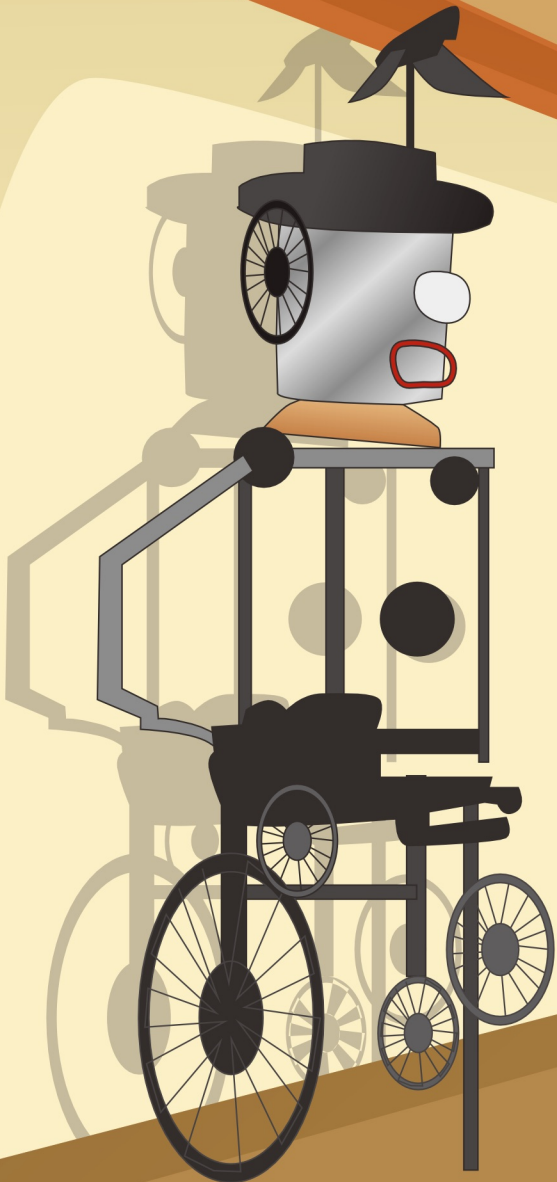




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There were other theatres including the Pavilion

where she saw a pantomime
and a magical place called the
Sharmanka kinetic theatre.



She had pictures of her and her family
and friends at the Barrowlands
when they went to a gig.

Barrowland



An illustration of Glasgow Cathedral, a large brown stone building with a prominent spire and green roofs, set against a blue sky with white clouds. In the foreground, there are lush green trees and a young girl with red hair, freckles, and a blue dress with red flowers, standing and gesturing towards the cathedral.

she talked about the pictures
of the Glasgow cathedral It is
the oldest cathedral in
mainland Scotland and the
oldest building in Glasgow

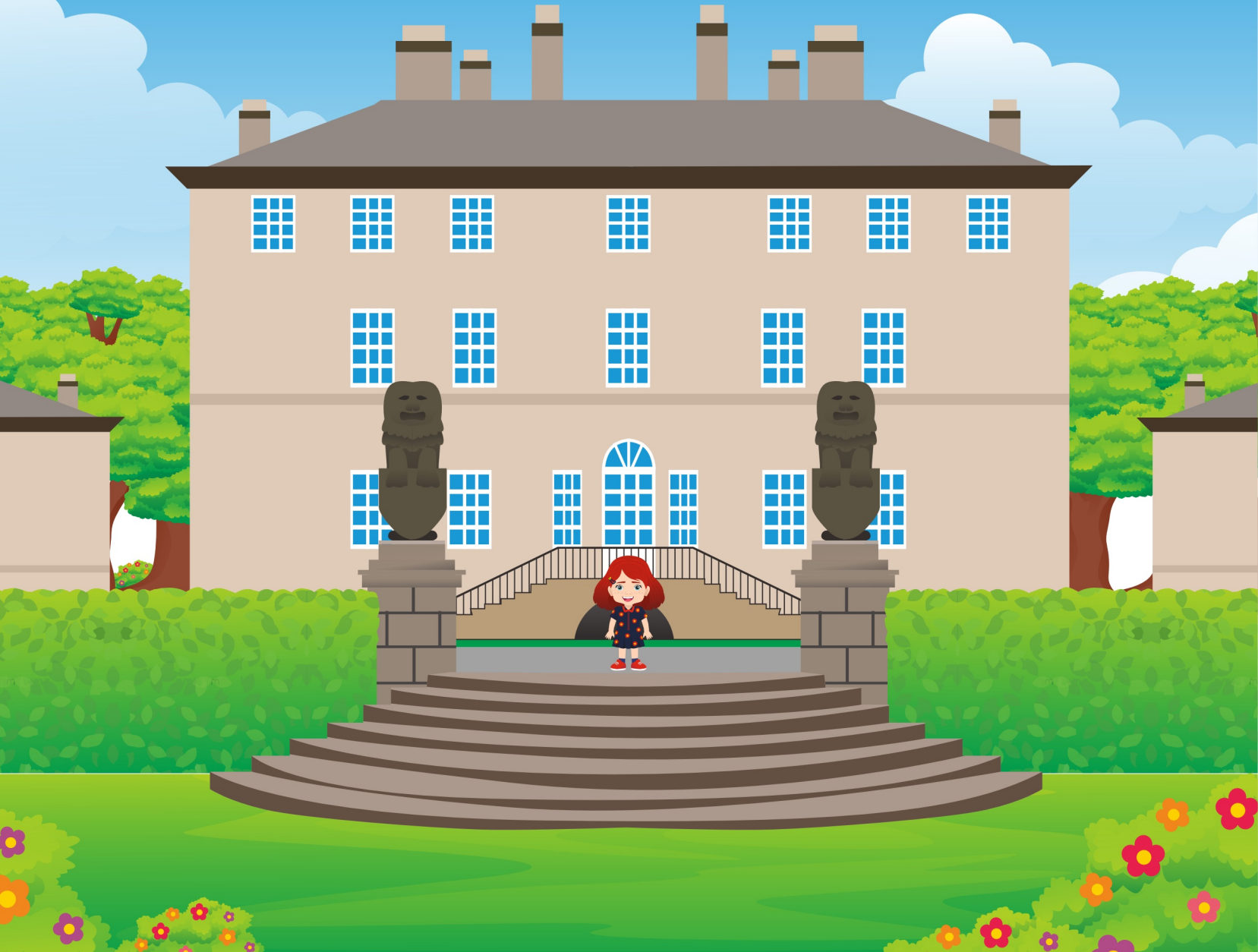
**Morag showed her friends the pictures of Glasgow
Botanic Gardens located in the West End of
Glasgow, It features several glasshouses**



**And even the Riverside,
showing the shipbuilding past
from some old cranes to the
new transport museum.**



She finished by showing pics taken in Pollock country park, the place she loved the most for the outdoor adventures. a place where she could play with her friends,



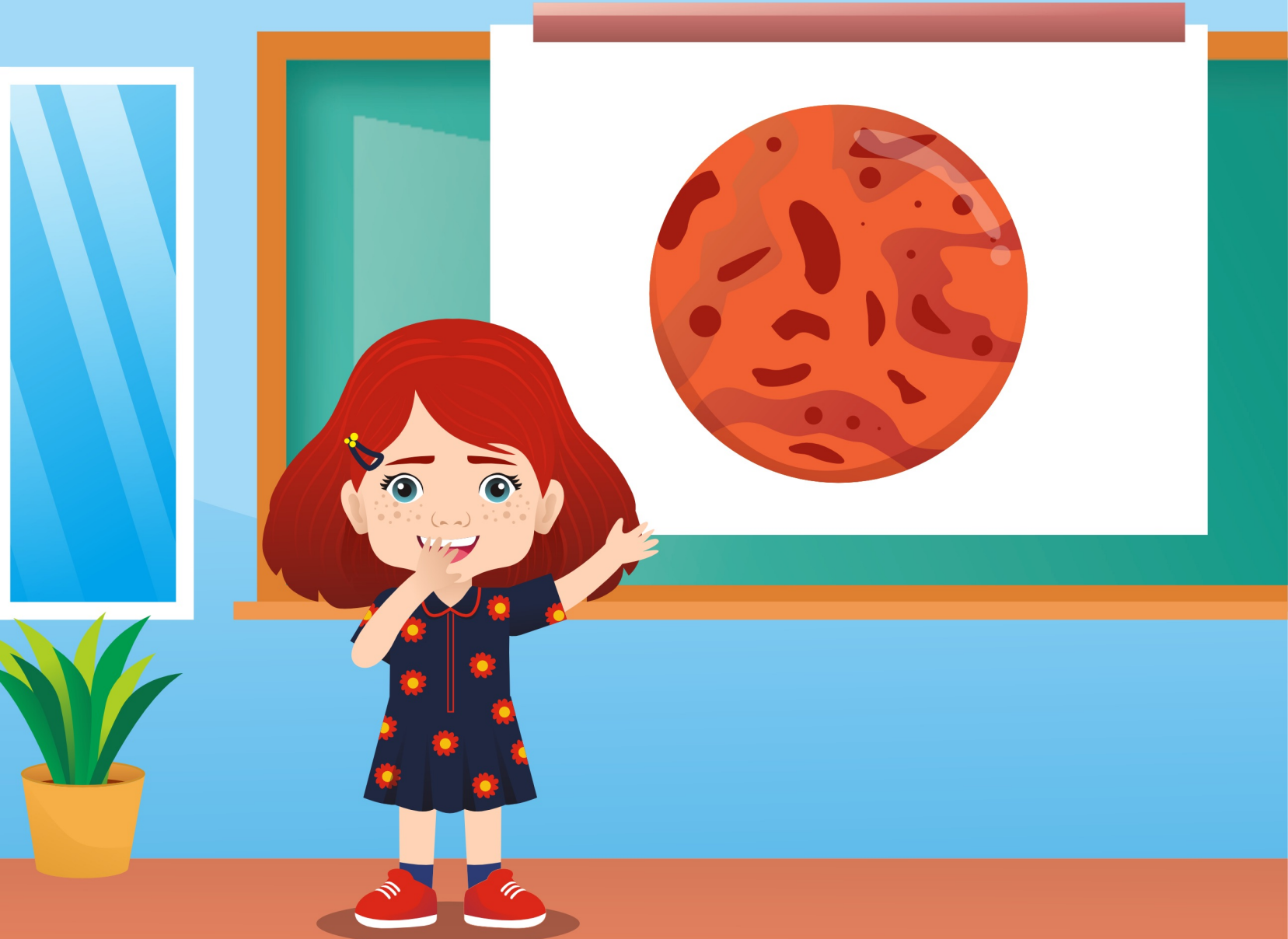


**Watch bands play in the festival area
or just go to see some Highland cows.**



**She even had a pic of herself beside a giant
Clydesdale horse.**

“I just wanted you to know that I come from Glasgow in Scotland and not the one on Mars.” She said. The class giggled at that. “seriously, look it up.”



There is a Glasgow on Mars. The curiosity rover has been there and I learnt this in the science museum."



Well that did it. The entire class wanted to know more. Some asked about ballet, others about science. Some wanted to know what else there was to see and, for the first time since moving, she walked home with friends.

