



Tallulah  
plays the  
Tuba

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For the real Mr. Greenwood.  
And to anyone who has ever  
been told they're too tiny.

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For Iggy.

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Tallulah wants to play the tuba.

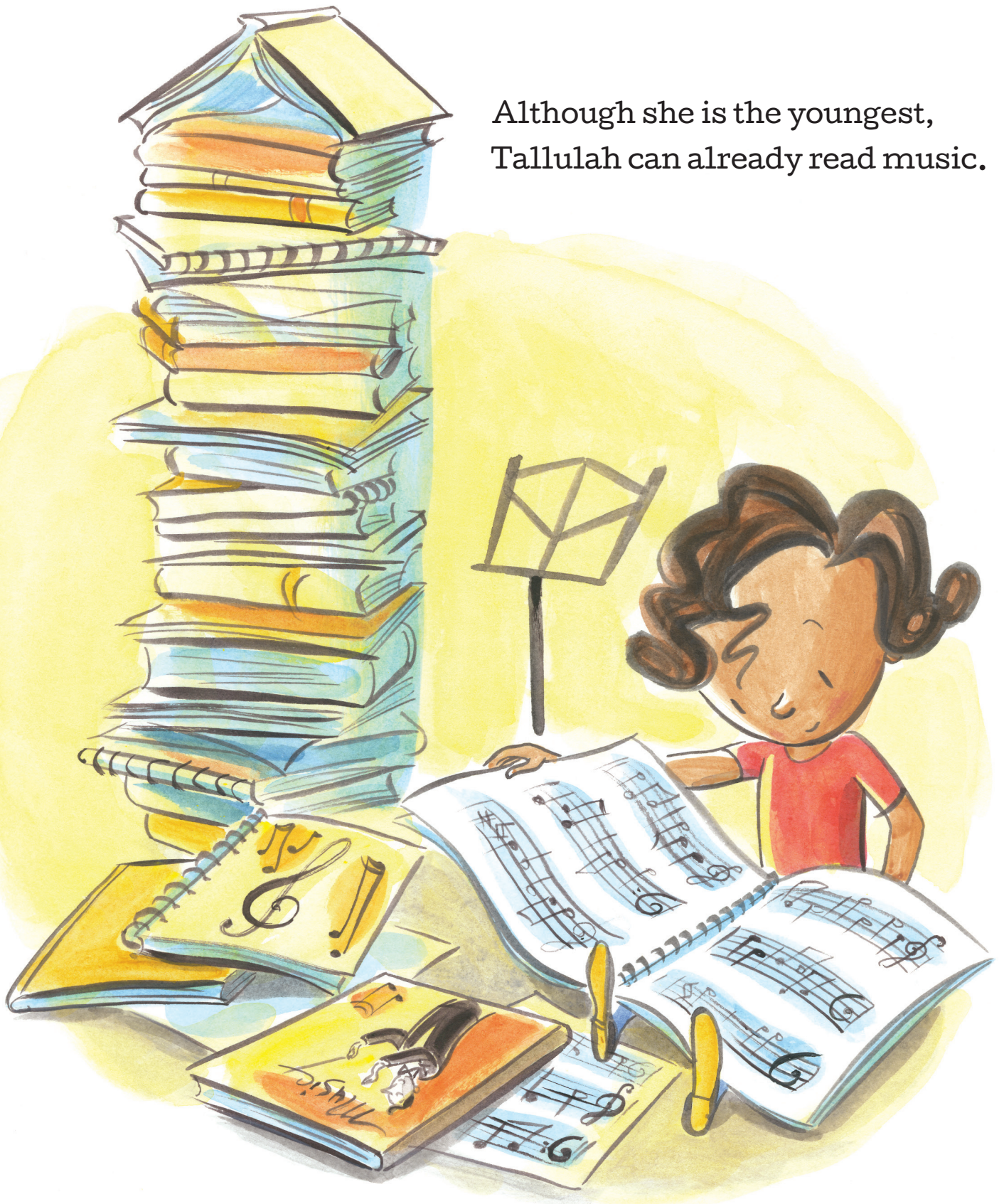
More than anything.

BOOM-pah!  
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So she joins the  
school band.

Although she is the youngest,  
Tallulah can already read music.

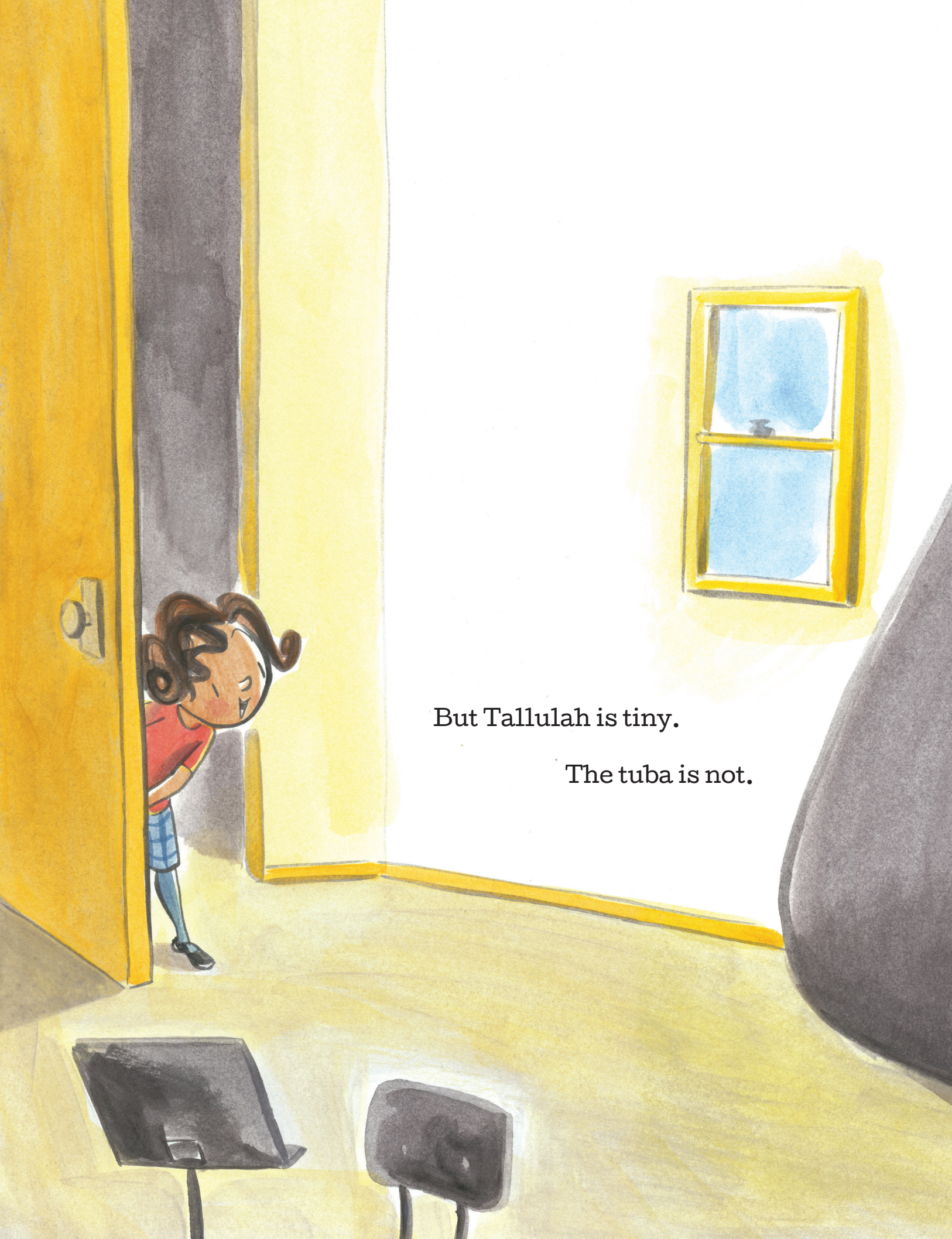




Plus, she has  
powerful lungs.



And strong muscles.

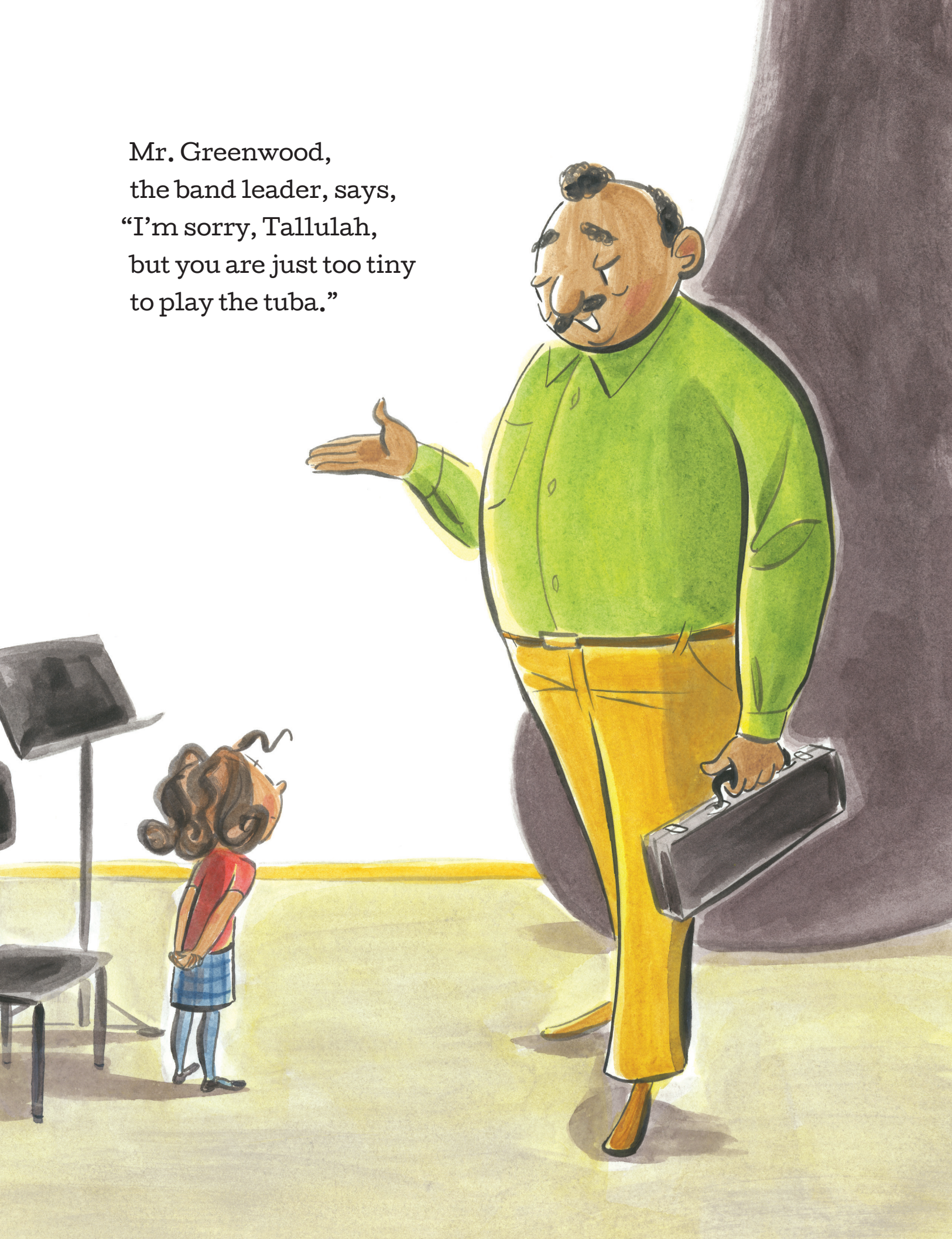


But Tallulah is tiny.

The tuba is not.



Mr. Greenwood,  
the band leader, says,  
“I’m sorry, Tallulah,  
but you are just too tiny  
to play the tuba.”

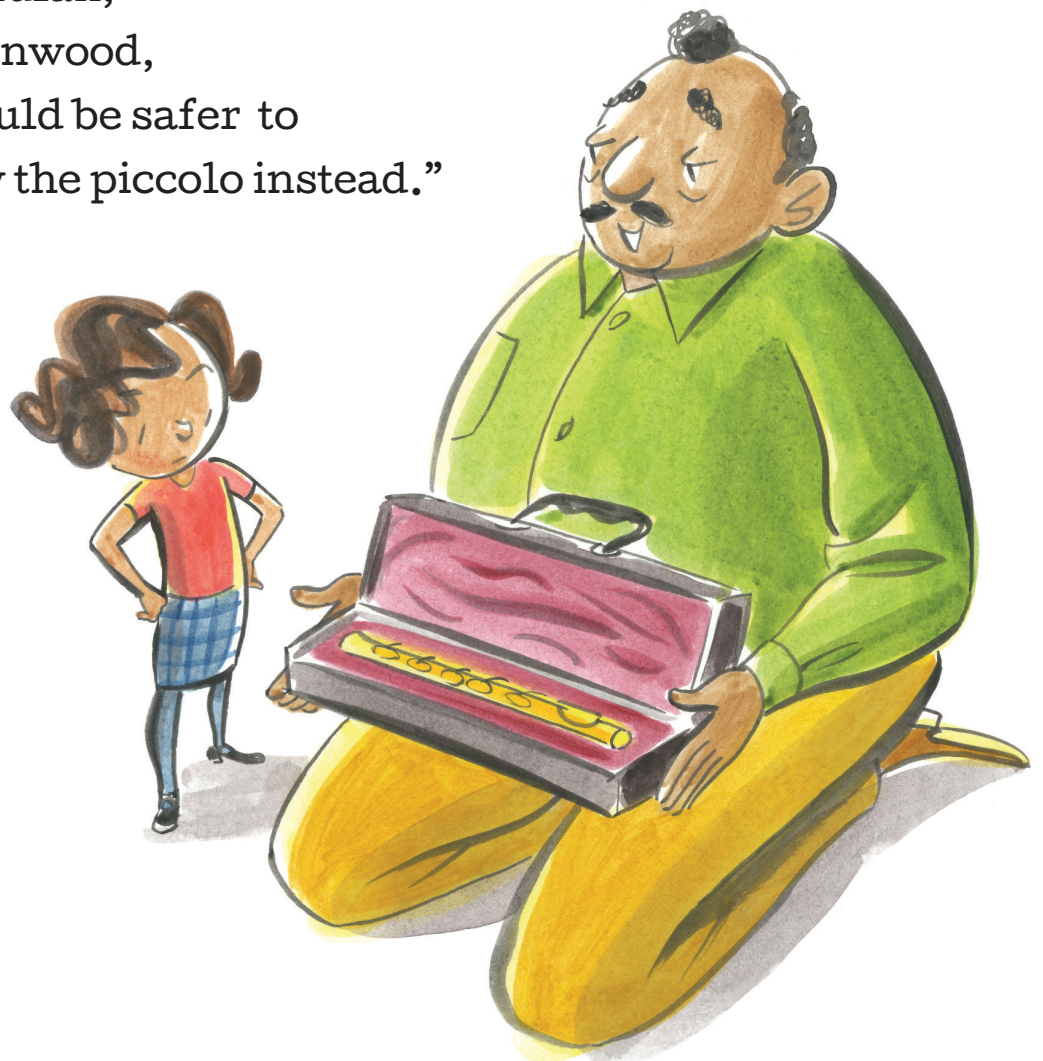






Tallulah stands on her chair.  
“Now I’m not,” she says.

“That’s true, Tallulah,”  
agrees Mr. Greenwood,  
“but I think it would be safer to  
sit down and try the piccolo instead.”



Tallulah sits down and tries the piccolo.

It does not go **OOM-pah! OOM-pah!**

