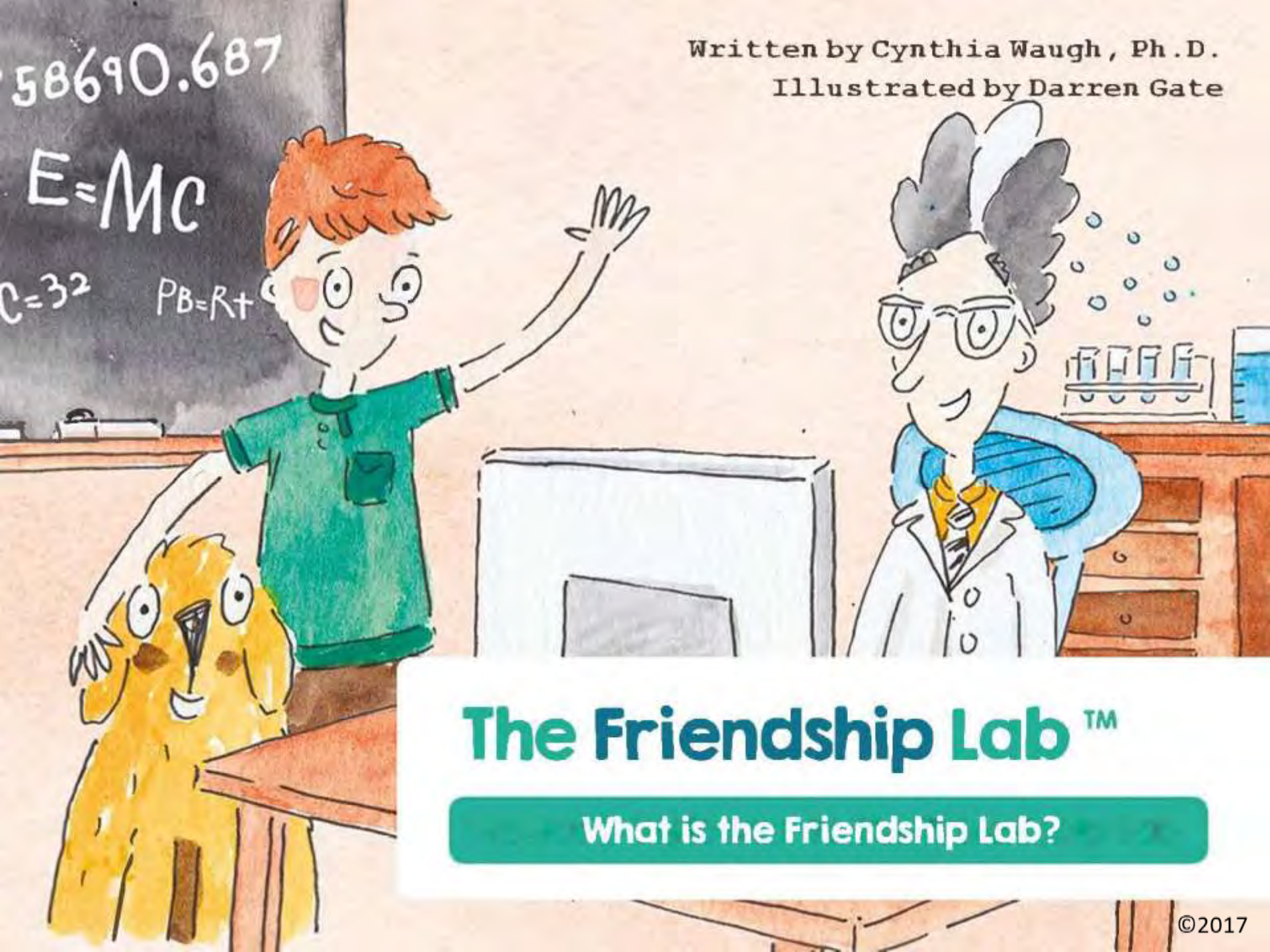


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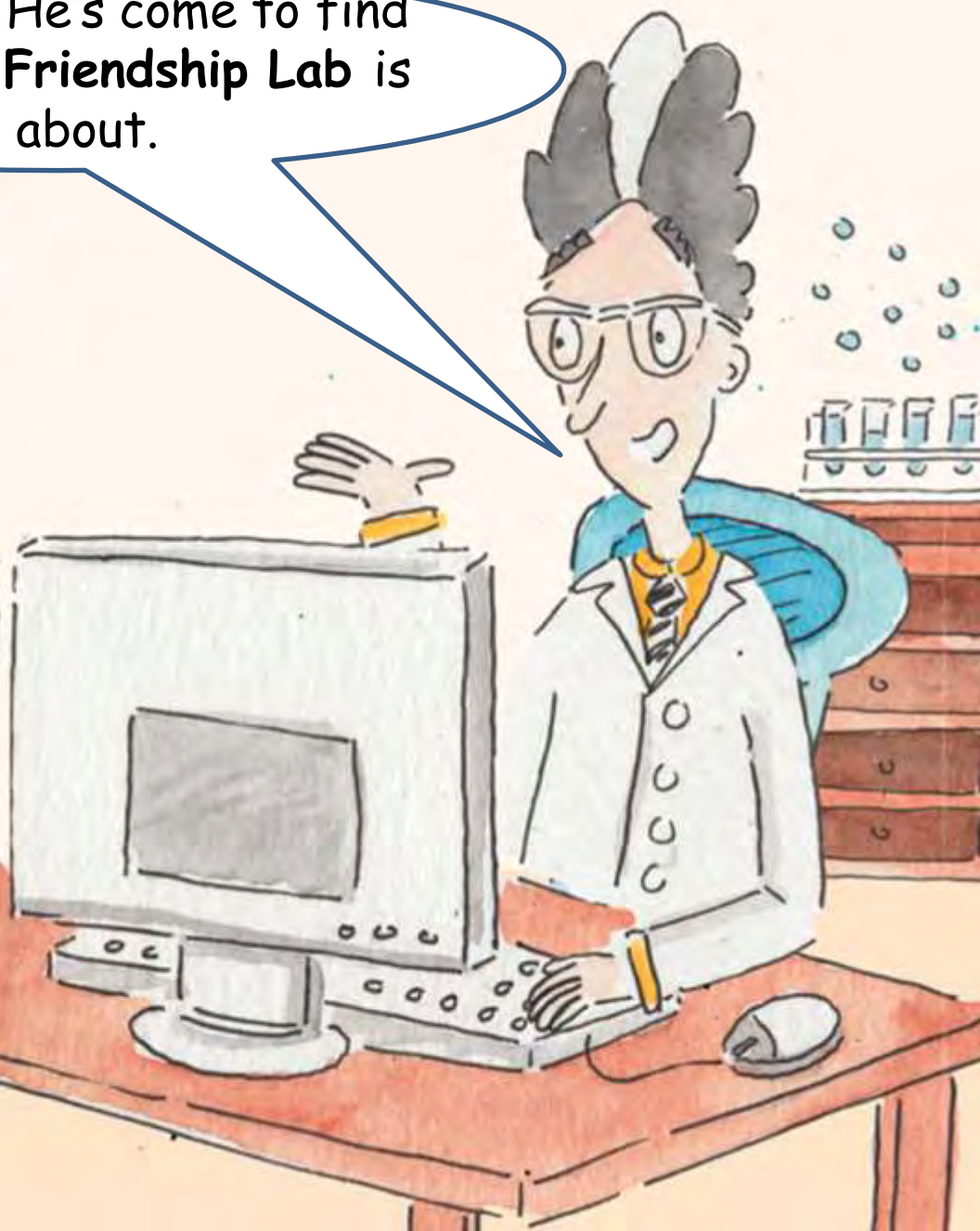
The Friendship Lab™

What is the Friendship Lab?

Welcome to the **Friendship**
Lab. My name is Dr. Dunozit.



This is Alvin. He's come to find out what the **Friendship Lab** is all about.



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And this is my trustworthy lab dog, Tink. He's one very smart dog.

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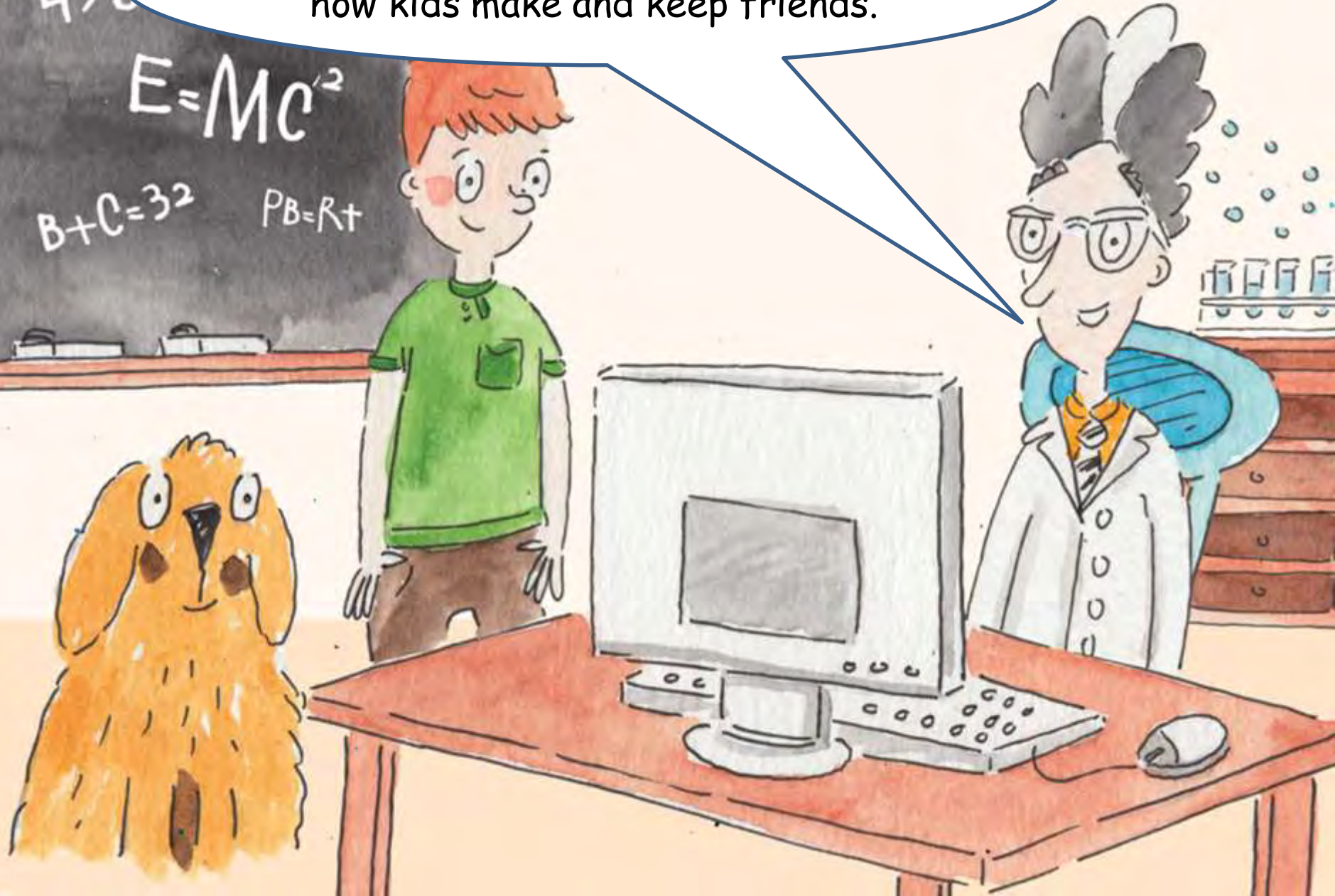
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Here in the Friendship Lab I study how kids make and keep friends.



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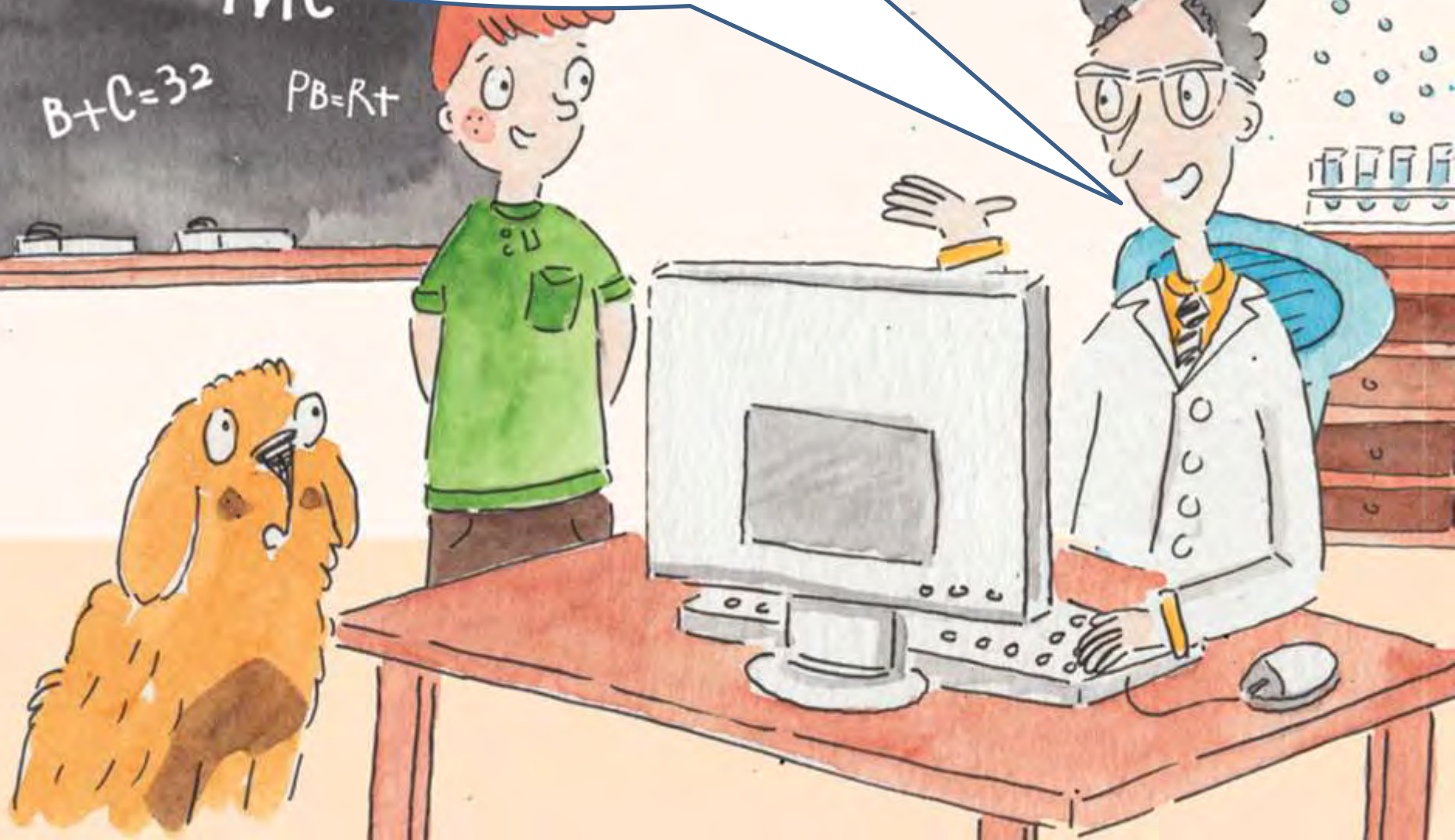
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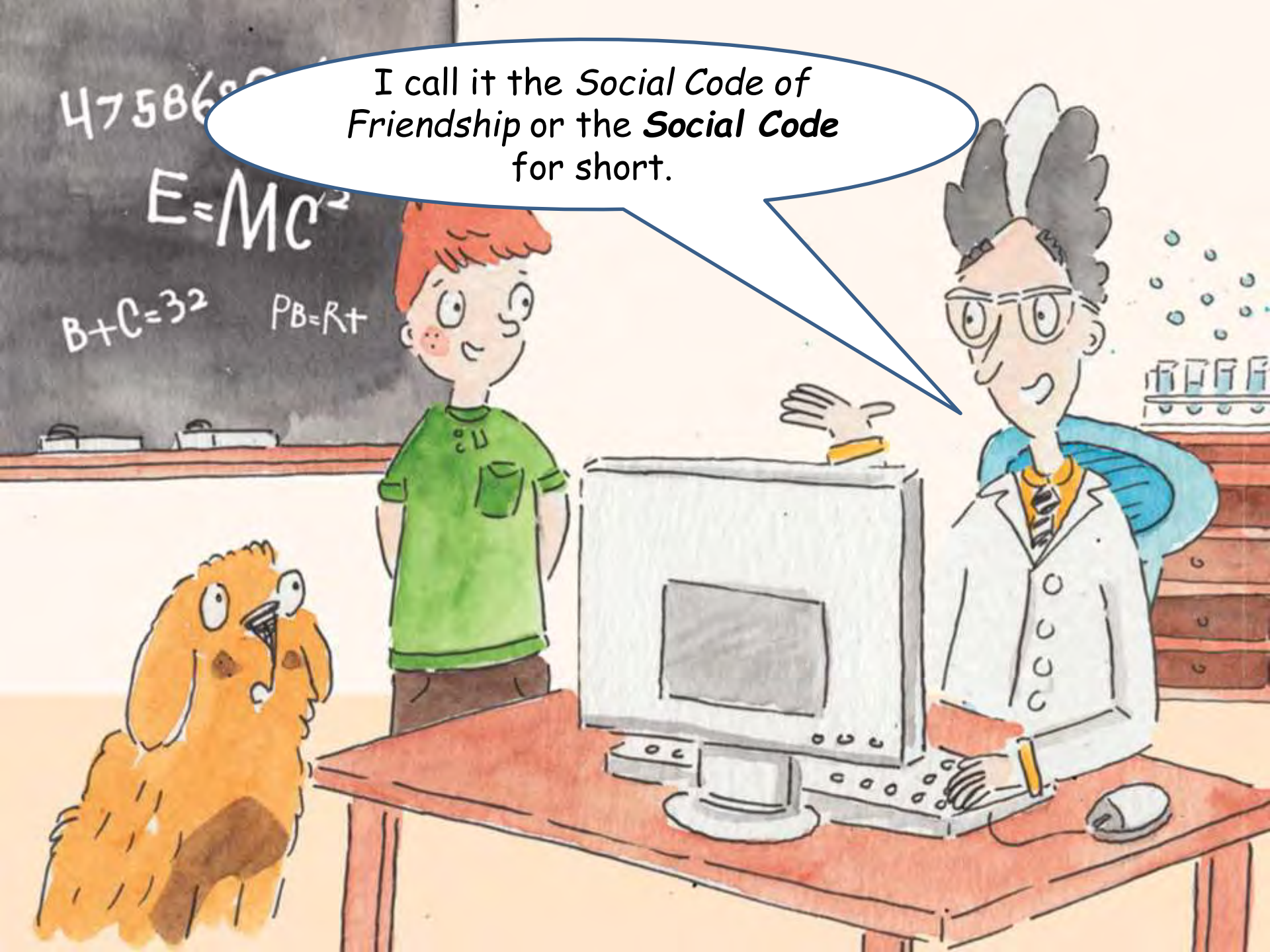
Dr. Dunozit, I've heard that you've discovered something called the **Social Code**. What is that?



Ah, yes, the **Social Code**. Well it appears that there are some predictable things that kids do when they want to be friends.



I call it the *Social Code of Friendship* or the **Social Code** for short.



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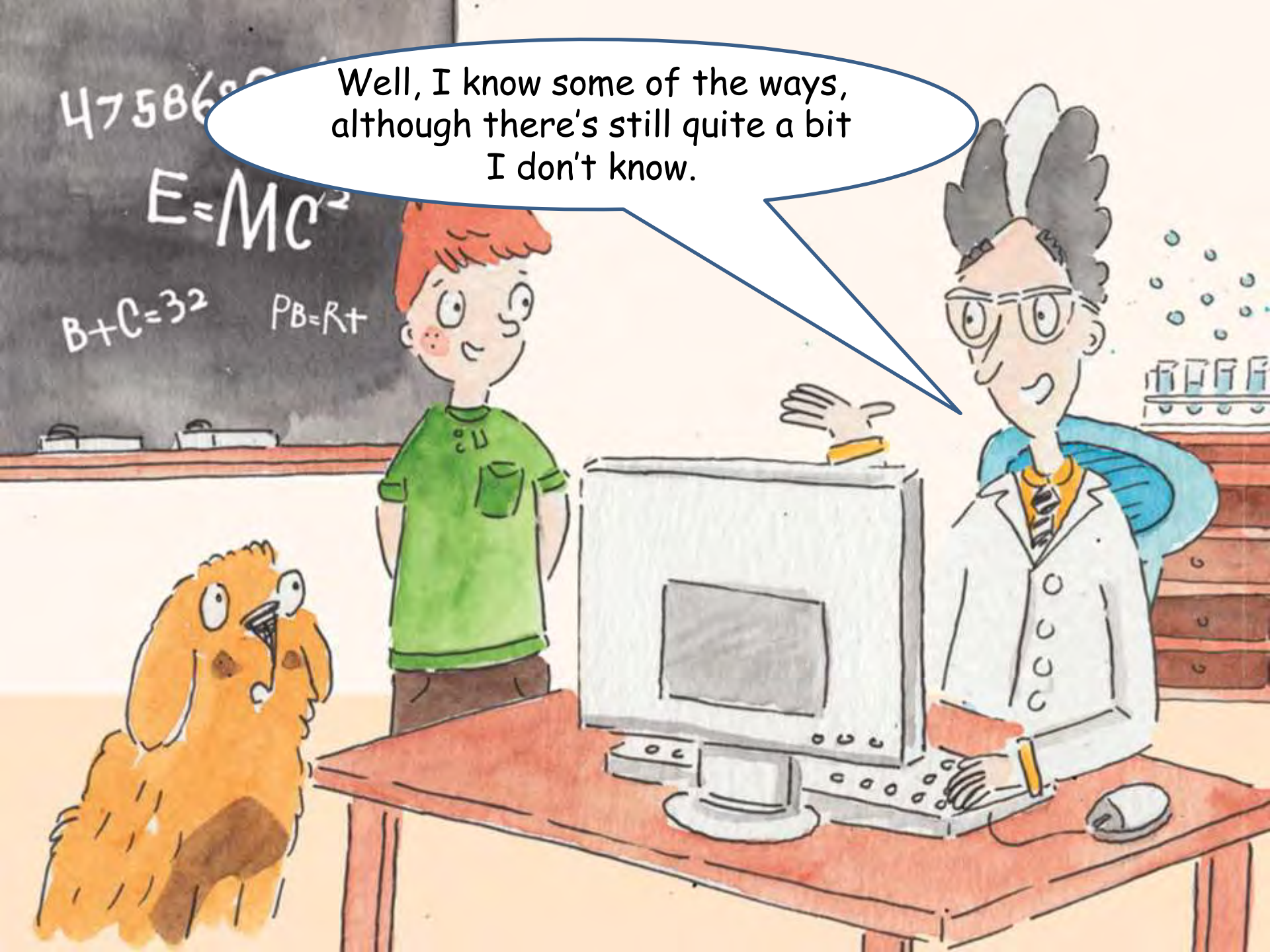
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Really? You mean you know how kids make friends?



Well, I know some of the ways,
although there's still quite a bit
I don't know.



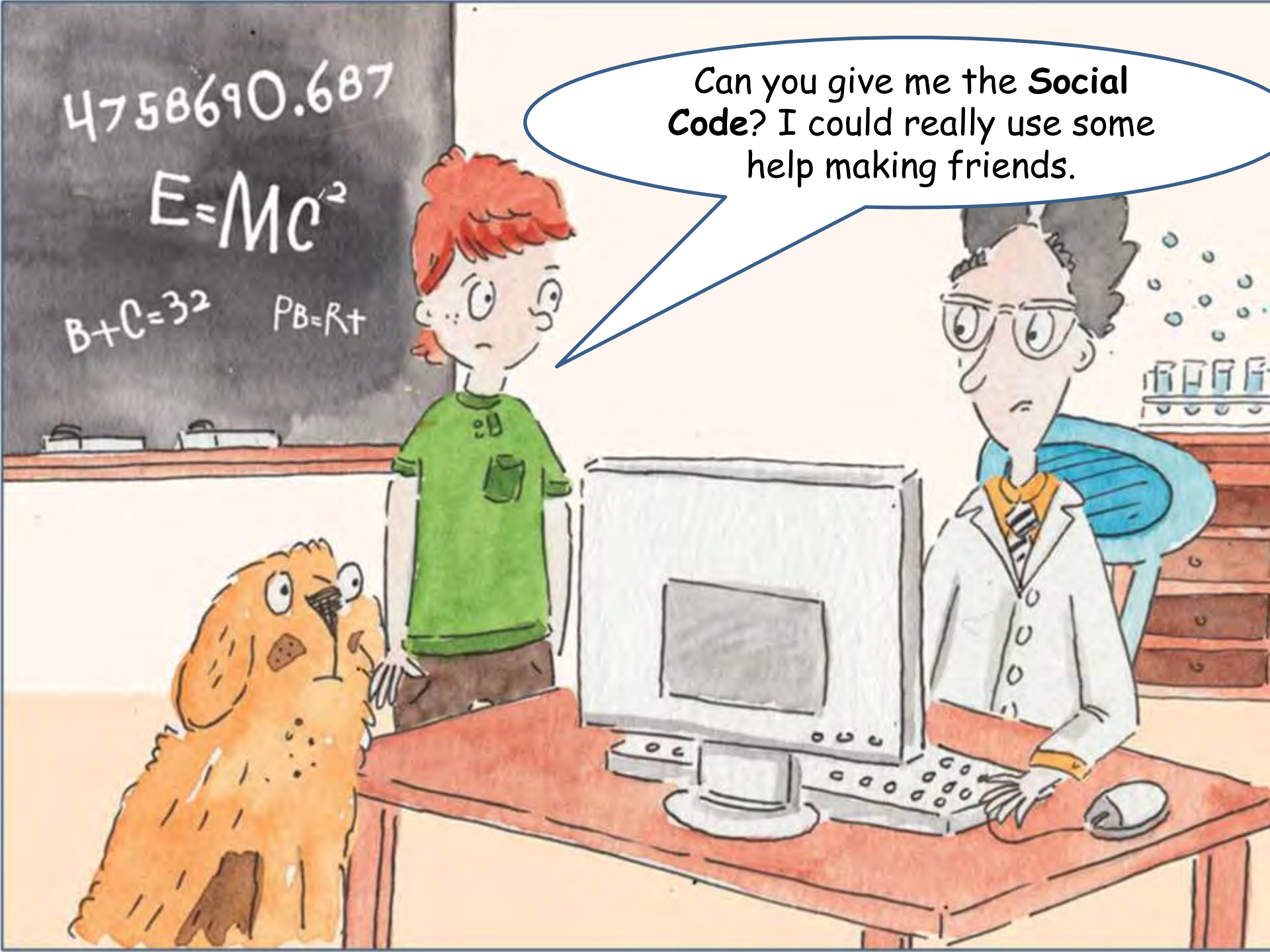
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Can you give me the **Social Code**? I could really use some help making friends.



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Hmmm...let me think.



The **Social Code** isn't something you can give someone. They really need to learn about it themselves.



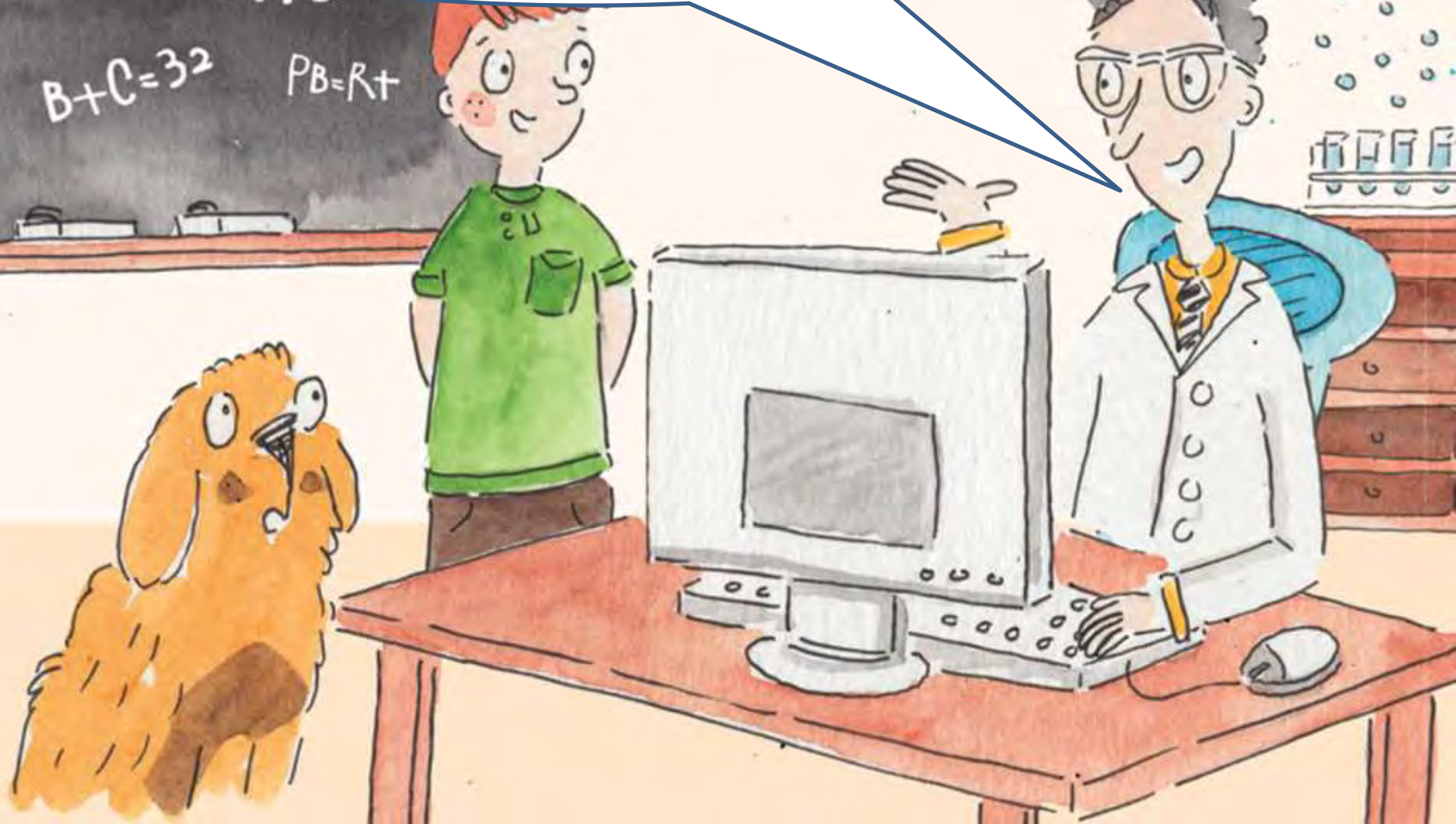
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Alvin, why don't you come and be my apprentice here in the **Friendship Lab**? You'll understand the code better if you take part in the investigations.



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Sure! But what will I be doing?



You can help me review some files that kids have sent to me.

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What kind of files? What do they have to do with the **Social Code**?



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Here, I'll show you. Take a look at my computer.



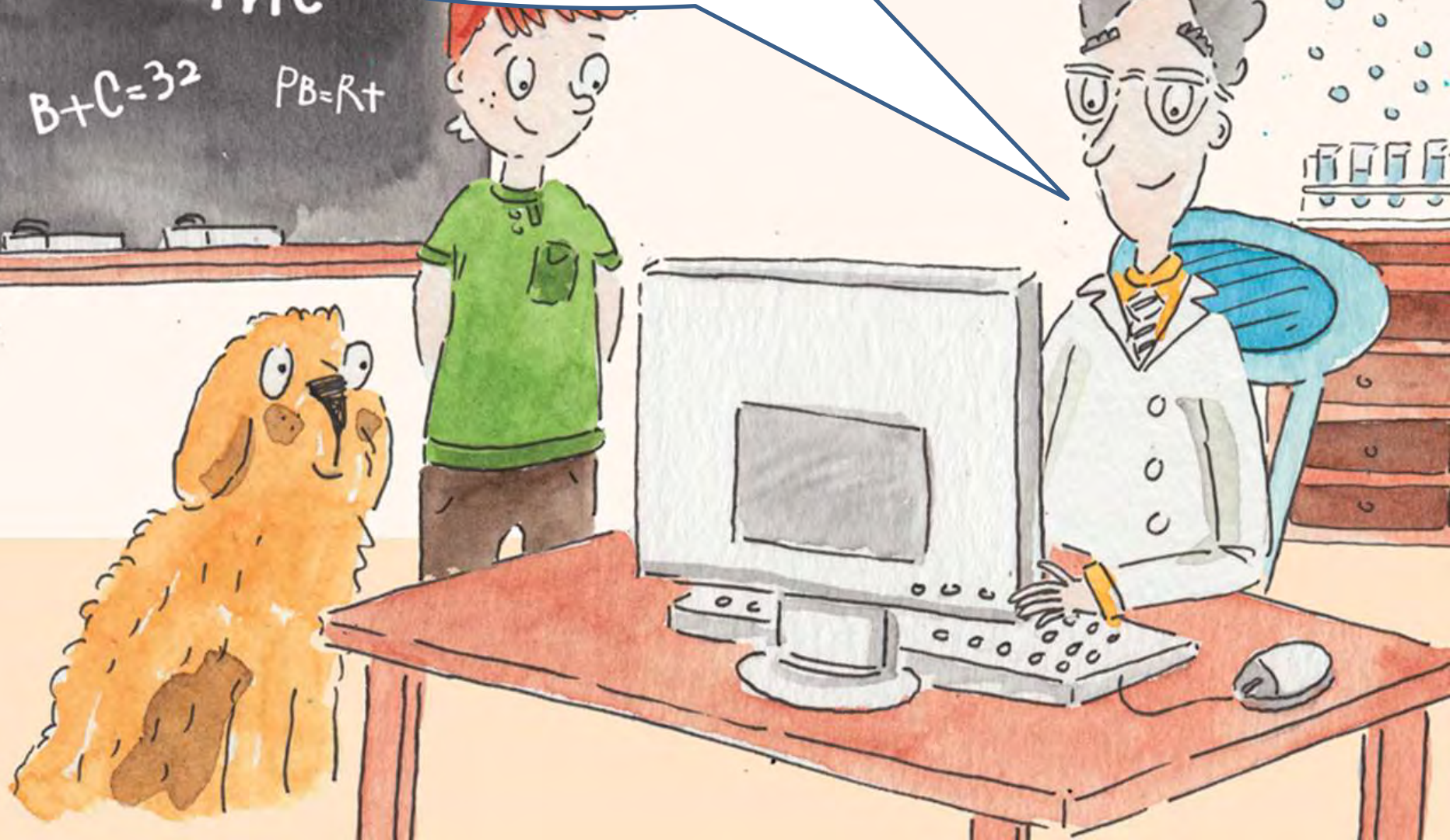
This file was sent to me
by a girl named Lily.



It was from a time when she
went to the park.



By examining files like these, I've been able to figure out how kids talk to each other, and the kinds of things they do together.



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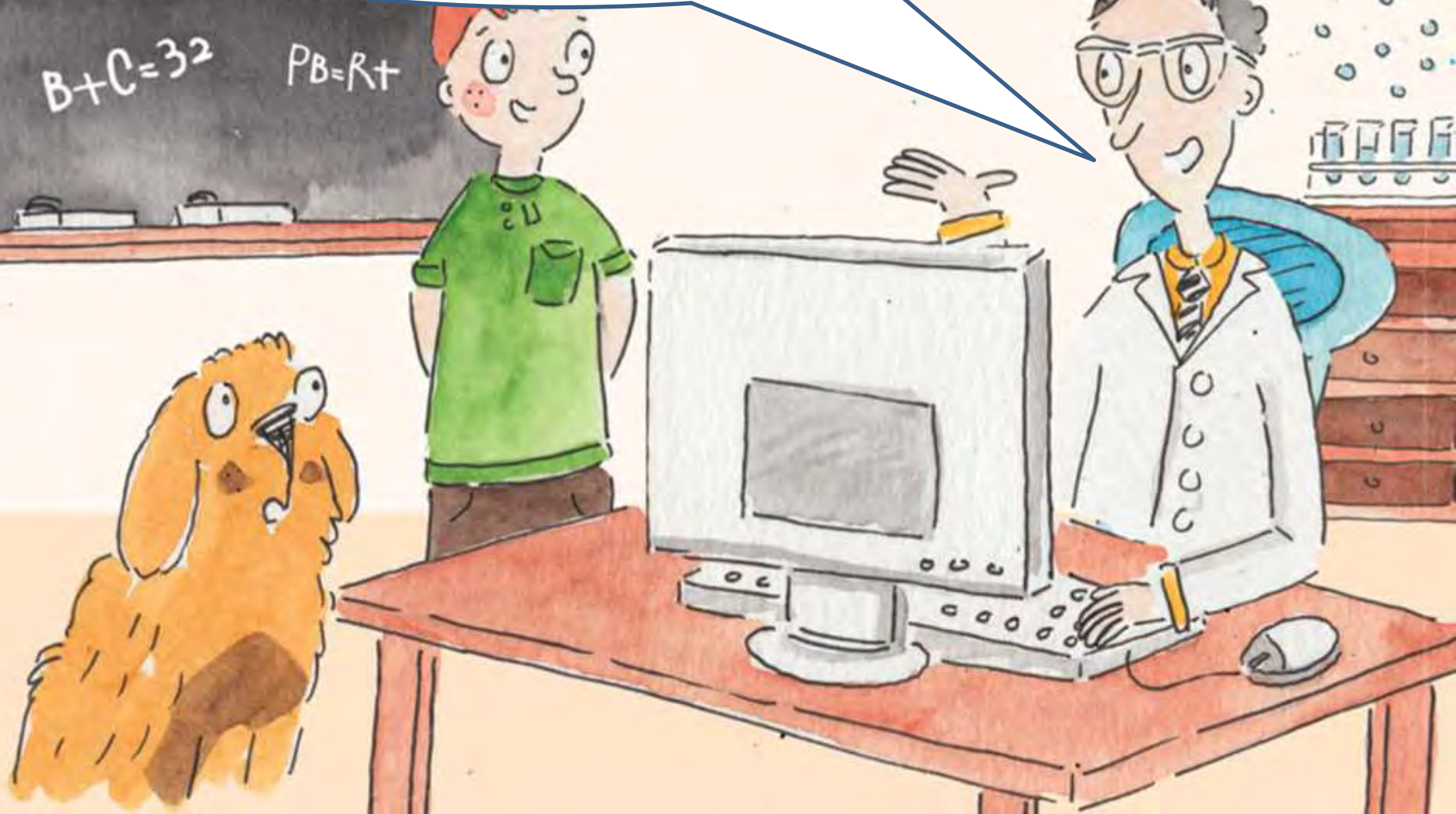
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That's so cool! When can I start? And how long do you think it will take?



I'll keep you posted about a start date.
But when you do come to the lab, I think
we can make a lot of progress if we
meet one hour a week for 10 weeks.



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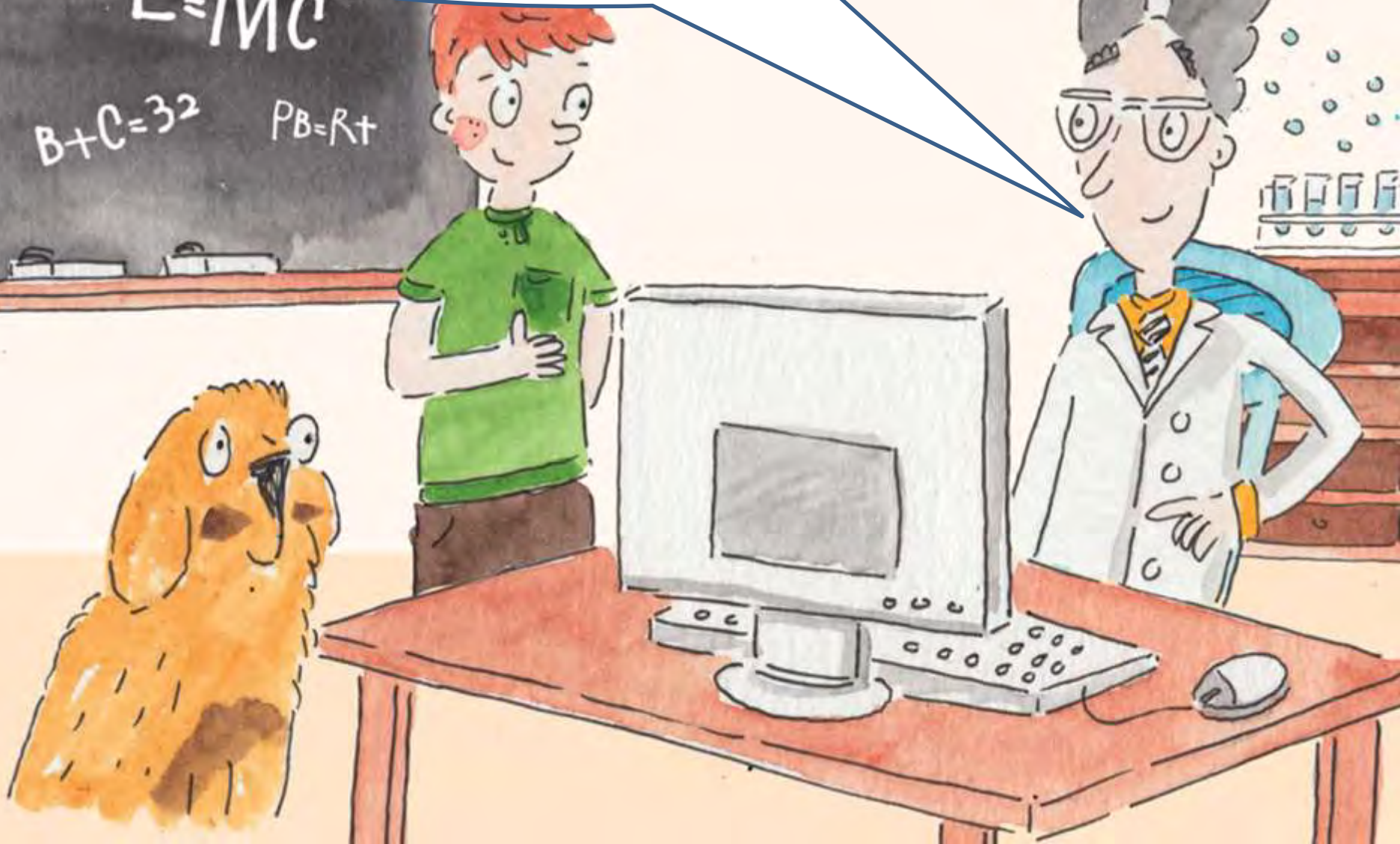
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Will I be the only apprentice? And is that all we'll do is look at files?



As a matter of fact, I'm looking for a group of apprentices. So, there will be a few other kids here too to work with us.



And no, we won't just be looking at files. We'll practice some of the Social Code and maybe play a few games.



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That sounds like a lot of fun,
Dr. Dunozit. I can't wait!



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Me too, Alvin!

