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Jordanne Wilely's **Paralympic Dreams**



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I loved sharing my journey and
hope you enjoy reading it.

Sleep Well,

Jordanne Whiley



When I was born, I had bones that were brittle,
That means they could break, not so great, when you're little.
But though that made walking quite tricky for me,
In my dreams I knew what I wanted to be.

Also, my Dad had the same type of bones,
So I quickly realised I wasn't alone.
I knew if I focused and got really strong,
I could live out my dreams and it wouldn't take long.

Because as I grew older, my dreams they grew too,
I'd picture them clearly, the barriers were few.
At first they seemed distant, a dream far away,
But as I grew up, those dreams were here to stay.

By day I would pick up my racket and try,
By night I'd be watching the balls as they'd fly.
By day it was hard and my practise was tough,
By night I was dreaming to never give up.

By night I was hitting the ball, it was sweet,
I'd imagine my shots, never dream of defeat.
The tennis ball bounced off the clouds in the sky,
This feeling felt ace as I shut both my eyes.

Sometimes by day I could feel quite alone,
By night I could focus and get in the zone.
By day I grew older, my skills they improved,
And by night I was fearless, all worries removed.



Eventually by day those dreams could now be seen,
I became Wheelchair Tennis Champion at the age of fourteen.
By day I was playing, the world knew my name,
And by night I slept soundly, reliving my game.

By day I was playing my best tennis yet,
I covered the court from the base to the net.
More titles came and I saw success grow,
I still kept my focus with much more to go.

By night, my dreams grew, so I made a new plan,
I'd already won Wimbledon and gained a Grand Slam.
My sights were now set on the Paralympic Games,
2012 in London is where I'd make my name.

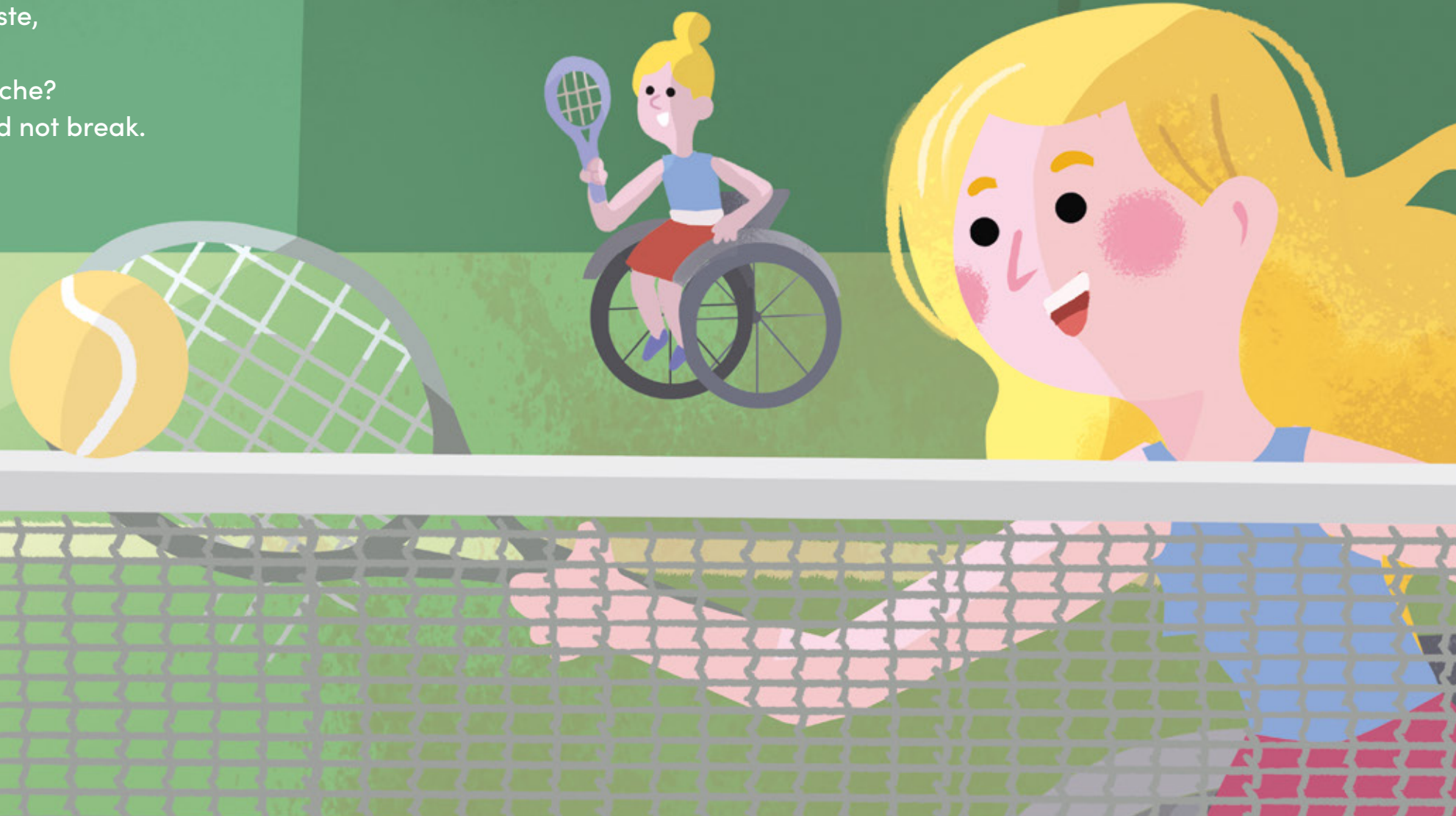


Go Jordanne!

The moment had come, I was in ParalympicsGB,
With my doubles partner we arrived full of glee.
And all of the work that I'd done now came good,
I won a bronze medal, I knew that I could!

The crowd cheered us on and it gave me a taste,
I'd now overcome all the struggles I'd faced.
That small little girl with the legs that would ache?
Her bones had been brittle but her dreams did not break.

Days brought more games, more tournaments too,
A second Paralympics was now in my view.
I flew out to Rio in sunny Brazil,
Another bronze medal created a thrill.





This feeling was magic, the best it had been,
I was even rewarded an MBE by the Queen.
It's simply amazing what I have been through,
Hopefully my journey will inspire you, too.

By day I continued to play and compete,
By night I was dreaming about a new feat.
Something I never knew could be such fun,
A small baby boy, I'd become a new mum.

But the girl in my dreams, wasn't finished just yet,
I've got more goals to reach, more medals to get.
The Tokyo Paralympics are now in my sight,
I'm ready for anything as I hop on my flight.

My dreams are now realised, with more on the way,
And hopefully you'll achieve your dreams one day.
By day just keep focused, always try your best,
By nighttime your dreams will take care of the rest.



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At the young age of 14, Jordanne Whiley became a Wheelchair Tennis Champion. From there she chased her dreams wherever they took her, from Wimbledon, London, Rio and now to Tokyo.

Follow Jordanne's exciting journey as she battles against the odds, proving that even when times are tough, as long as you sleep well and work hard, you can always follow your dreams.

