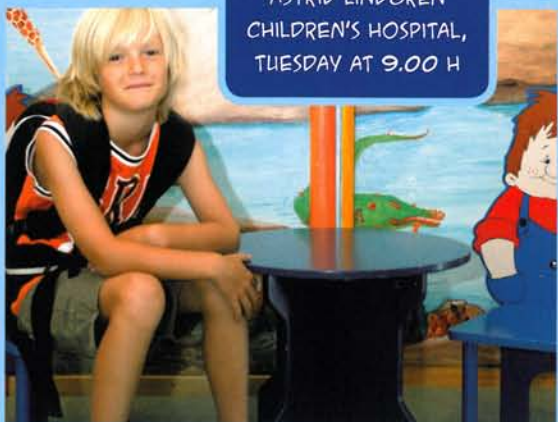


LUCAS'S ADVENTURE

WHEN HELPED
TO FALL ASLEEP
BEFORE SURGERY



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I LOVE FOOTBALL, ALTHOUGH SOMETIMES ONE DOES GET INJURED. AT ONE TIME, I HAD TO HAVE SURGERY ON **MY FOOT!** I THEN HAD TO BE GIVEN AN ANAESTHETIC.



FIRSTLY, I HAD TO SEE AN ANAESTHETIST CALLED MARTIN. HE ASKED SEVERAL QUESTIONS AND MADE SURE THAT I WASN'T SUFFERING FROM A COLD.



I WAS THEN GIVEN MY OWN BED AND A PLASTER WITH ANAESTHETIC CREAM IN ORDER TO ALLEVIATE THE PAIN OF THE NURSE'S INJECTION.



EVERYONE UNDERGOING SURGERY MUST WEAR A NAME TAG, ATTACHED BOTH TO THE ARM AND THEIR BED.



A LITTLE BIT OF MISCHIEF IS ALWAYS FUN, BUT **NOBODY** REALLY BELIEVED THAT I WAS ZLATAN.



THE ANAESTHETIC PLASTER WAS **REALLY GOOD!** I COULD HARDLY FEEL ANYTHING AT ALL WHEN THE NURSE ATTACHED A SMALL PLASTIC TUBE WITH A CANNULAR. THE CANNULAR ENABLES MEDICINES TO FLOW THROUGH IT DIRECTLY INTO THE BLOOD.



THE NURSE CONNECTED A HOSE TO THE PLASTIC TUBE. THIS IS CALLED A DRIP.



HERE IS THE DRIP BOTTLE WHICH CONTAINS WATER, SALT AND SUGAR, AND SOMETIMES MEDICINES.



IT **TICKLED** SLIGHTLY WHEN THE SURGEON DREW AN ARROW ON MY FOOT. THE ARROWS INDICATE WHERE THEY NEED TO OPERATE.



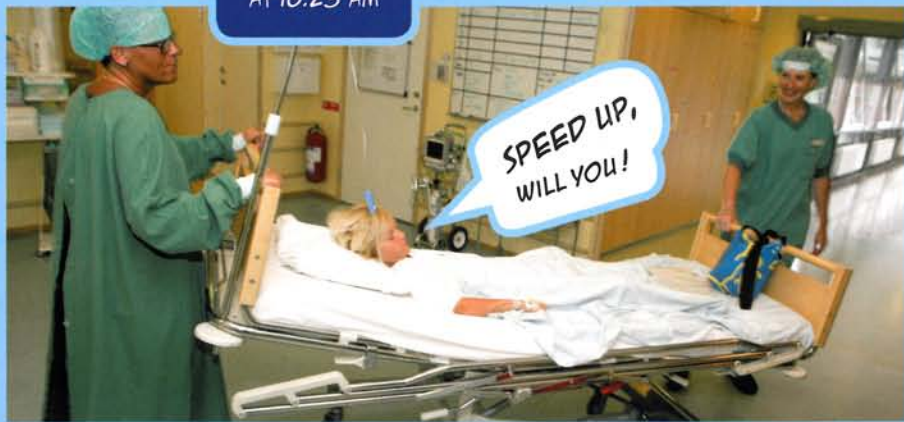
WHEN DONE, I WAS TRANSFERRED INTO PRE-OP WHERE I GOT SEEN BY A NURSE CALLED ERIKA. SHE EXPLAINED WHAT WAS GOING TO HAPPEN, **I WAS GOING TO BE MADE TO SLEEP!** IT'S CALLED ANAESTHETIC, AND IT MEANS THAT A PERSON IS MADE TO FALL ASLEEP WITHOUT FEELING ANY PAIN WHEN THEY WAKE UP.



IT'S NICE TO HAVE MUM WITH ME!

MUM WAS ALLOWED TO ACCOMPANY ME ALL THE WAY INTO THE OPERATING ROOM ON CONDITION SHE WORE PROTECTIVE CLOTHING. DOESN'T SHE LOOK **HILARIOUS?**

AT 10.23 AM



MUM HAD TO HELP ERIKA MOVE MY BED INTO THE OPERATING ROOM.

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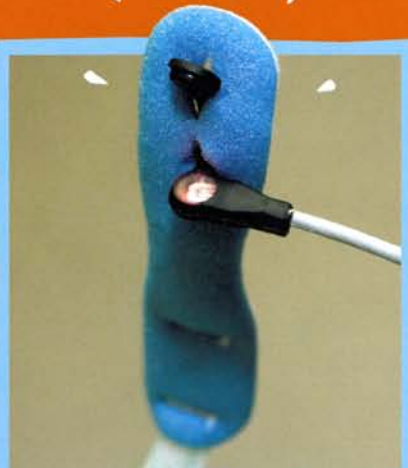
HERE, I WAS LIFTED OVER TO ANOTHER BED, CALLED THE OPERATING TABLE, AND I HAD TO HAVE A STRANGE CUSHION UNDERNEATH THE NECK.



IN THE OPERATING ROOM, THERE WAS A LOT OF APPARATUS, COMPUTERS, CABLES, LAMPS AND TOOLS (CALLED INSTRUMENTS). ERIKA PUT THREE SMALL STICKERS ONTO MY CHEST.



A SMALL LAMP WAS ATTACHED ONTO MY FINGER.



AT FIRST, I THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO PLAY TV GAMES... BUT IT WAS A **FINGER LAMP**.



COOL! THE STICKERS AND THE LAMP WERE CONNECTED TO A COMPUTER. IT MEASURED MY HEARTBEATS AND BREATHING IN ORDER FOR ERIKA AND MARTIN TO SEE THAT I WAS FEELING FINE.



OK, I AM GETTING IT, YAWN...

HERE, MARTIN IS TALKING ABOUT WHAT ALL THE DATA ON THE SCREEN MEANS. IT WAS NICE THAT MUM WAS STAYING WITH ME ALL THIS TIME BEFORE FALLING ASLEEP.



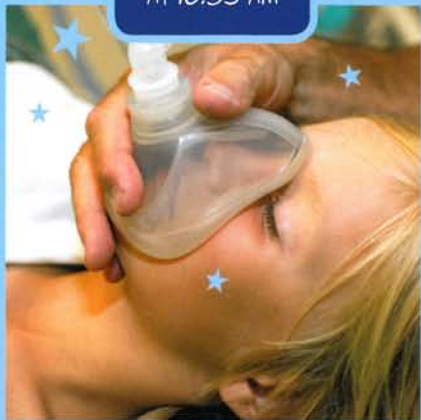
WHEN IT WAS TIME FOR THE OPERATION, I GOT **SLEEPING DRUGS** THROUGH THE CANNULAR ON MY HAND.



WHEN FAST ASLEEP, I WAS GIVEN BOTH MEDICINE AND SOME EXTRA FRESH AIR CALLED OXYGEN THROUGH THIS MASK.



AT 10.35 AM



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SIMPLY GREAT FOOTBALL DREAMS!



DON'T WORRY!
EVERYTHING IS GOING TO BE FINE.

AFTER HAVING FALLEN ASLEEP, MUM HAD TO LEAVE
THE OPERATING ROOM TO ENABLE THOSE PERFORMING
SURGERY ON ME TO GET ON UNDISTURBED.



GURGLE
GURGLE

HM, TIME FOR A NEW NAPPY?

MUM HAD TO SIT DOWN IN THE WAITING ROOM
AND READ SOME MAGAZINES IN THE MEANTIME.



WHEN IT COMES TO OPERATIONS, EVERYTHING HAS TO
BE SPOTLESS. THE SURGICAL TEAM WEARS GOWNS, MASKS
AND GLOVES WITHOUT EVEN ONE LITTLE *BACILLUS!*



HERE, THE NURSE WASHES MY LEG AND DRESSES IT IN GREEN SHEET.



HERE IS MY PAINFUL FOOT
WITH THE ARROW MARKING OUT
WHERE TO OPERATE.



I CANNOT REMEMBER ANYTHING ABOUT THE OPERATION BECAUSE I WAS ASLEEP. ERIKA AND MARTIN MADE SURE THAT I WAS FEELING FINE ALL THE TIME.



READY!



JOB DONE. WHEN YOU WAKE UP, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO SEE YOUR MUM...

AFTER SURGERY, I WAS LIFTED OVER TO MY BED AGAIN WHILE STILL BEING ASLEEP. AFTER THAT ERIKA MOVED MY BED INTO THE RECOVERY ROOM WHERE MUM WAS WAITING.



Z Z Z
...OH,
HE SCORES
!!!

I WAS GIVEN EXTRA OXYGEN FROM THE MASK WHEN I WAS ABOUT TO WAKE UP. THAT MAKES YOU FEEL GOOD.



MUM IS SITTING IN HERE WAITING FOR ME TO WAKE UP.

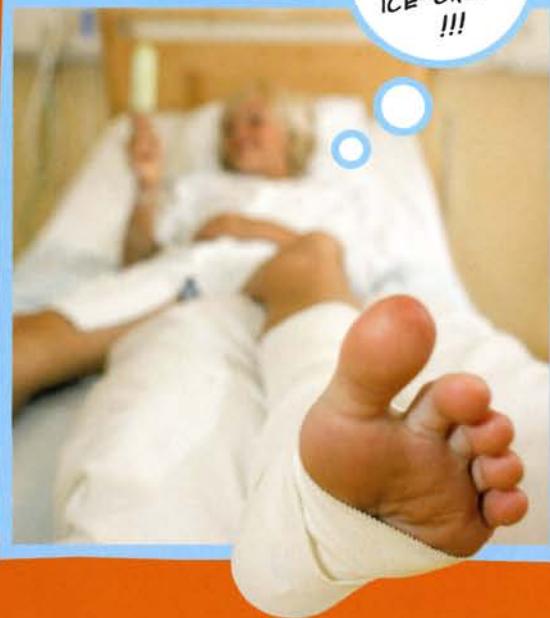
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GOOD MORNING!

GOOD HEAVENS HOW PEACEFULLY I'VE SLEPT,
AND I FELT NOTHING DURING THE OPERATION.

YUM, YUM,
TASTY WITH
ICE-CREAM
!!!



WELL DONE LAD!

YES, IT WAS DONE! THE FOOT WRAPPED IN BANDAGES,
A TASTY ICE-CREAM, AND A MUM WHO SAYS HOW VERY PROUD
SHE IS... BUT THE FOOTBALL HAS TO WAIT A BIT!

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