Butterfly Laughter

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In the middle of our porridge plates There was a blue butterfly painted And each morning we tried who should reach the butterfly first. Then the Grandmother said: "Do not eat the poor butterfly." That made us laugh. Always she said it and it always made us laugh. It seemed like such a sweet little joke. I was certain that one fine morning The butterfly would fly out of our plates, Laughing the teeniest laugh in the world, And perch on Grandmother's lap.

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