

What Are Little Boys Made Of?

I don't like frogs,
I don't like snails
and *really* don't like
puppy dogs' tails.

I don't like footie
though feel I should
but I don't like running
and I don't like mud.

I'm not that keen on
riding bikes,
on playing out
or taking hikes.

But I'm so happy
when I bake –
to conjure up
a chocolate cake

from sugar, butter,
eggs and flour
is to me
a super-power.

Dad says I'm a
real magician –
what I make
inside that kitchen.

He likes rugby,
cars and beer
but he is
the first to cheer

when I produce
a tray of scones,
of flapjack, tarts
or macarons.

I bake with sugar
and with spice –
why can't I be
all things nice?