



Letterpress Young Reader Interviews

An Interview With Imogen (aged 8)

Q1. What are your earliest memories of reading books – do you have a particular book you remember from that time?

I first started out in nursery reading cardboard books then Biff and Chip. In Year 1 it was much thicker books on my own, then In Year 2, I finished all the different reading stages and went onto free reading where I could choose and so I started reading adventure books.

Q2. What are your favourite kinds of books now?

I've read the whole of the Worst Witch series and the Malory Towers series. I like books about schools. I've even written my own version of Malory Towers where Felicity, the younger sister is the central character. I also really like encyclopaedias because I've got lots at home and they tell you lots of important facts - I like getting lost in interesting facts. Especially facts about bodies and plants and animals - I might even be a vet or a doctor one day. You can get lost in books and they take you on a journey.

Q3. Have you got a favourite author (or two)

I quite like Enid Blyton because of the adventures and Jill Murphy because of the different characters in the Worst Witch series, some are really mean like the horrible teacher Miss Hardbroom. The new book is called 'First Prize for the Worst Witch'.

Q4. How often do you read? Is there a favourite time when you like reading best?

I normally read every day. If I can't fit it in the evening I read at lunchtime and in bed in the morning. My mum is also a really big fan of books as well. I like to sometimes just read in my room quietly for an hour.

Q5. Are you hoping to build a book collection? How many have you got and what's your prized possession?

I've got lots of books that people give me for presents from family members. I've got so many in my collection and I keep some in my room and in other places. I love 'Clockwork' by Philip Pullman and all my Worst Witch book collection.