Miss Gledhill's Journey into Reading

Since being a little girl I have loved listening to and reading books. My mum would read to me and my brother every night. She loved reading 'The Magic Far Away Tree', I can still remember lots of the journeys we went on. When my Grandma's and Grandpa's would baby sit for us they would tell us stories instead of reading them. One Grandma and Grandpa would make up stories about mermaids and crocodiles and me and my brother would act it out. My other Grandma would always tell us stories about dogs, in her lovely Scottish accent.

When I got older and could read to myself I would love to spend my pocket money on books. I would sit and read them cover to cover in one day. My favourite books were: Mrs. Pepperpot Adventures – Alf Proysen, The Worst Witch – Jill Murphy, The Famous Five – Enid Blyton, The Demon Headmaster – Gillian Cross, but I'd read pretty much anything.

I use a Kindle now to buy and read most of my books but I do love picking up books and turning the pages. In the holidays I can lose hours just sitting and reading. I can be sat all curled up reading and I'll think "I'll do the ironing after I've finished reading this chapter", then I'll read another chapter, and another and another! Most of the time I'll chose a book that Mum, my auntie and my Grandma (who is 93) has recommended to me and then we talk to each other about what we thought of it.

At the end of the day in our class we always settle down to a story. At the moment we are reading Matilda by Roald Dahl. I've read it many times before but I never get fed up of it, some books you can just read over and over again. I can tell the children are enjoying it too as they will ask me when it's time to read it or have brought their copy in from home and try and beat me to the end!

Reading is such an important skill to have. You can get lost in wonderful action packed adventures, try and solve a mystery or go on a magical adventure. I hope that you enjoy reading as much as we do. We look forward to going on our reading adventure together.