Letterpress Young Reader Interviews

Maya (aged 7)

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

When I was very small, I remember that I liked' The Tiger Who Came to Tea' and 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and lots more too. My mom used to like reading them to me in my bedroom.

Q2. What are your favourite kinds of books now?

Now I really like the 'Bunny versus Monkey' series of books because they are so funny with good stories. I enjoy reading other comic style books too because I like the way the words and pictures have boxes around them - that make the stories look cool.

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

I have five favourite authors at the moment. I like Katie Kirby, who writes the' Lottie Brooks' books; Dav Pilkey who does the' Cat Kid Comic Club' books; NeilL Cameron who does the 'Donut Squad' series and John Patrick Green who writes 'The InvestiGators' series.

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

I usually read a lot at school in class every day which is good. Sometimes I also visit the library near my house and I can borrow quite a few from there. I always like to read before going to sleep with the lamp next to my bed. I also sometimes read when I am eating my food at the table and that can stop me eating quickly! I like to read in my bedroom after school as well where it is very quiet so I can concentrate.

Q5. Are you hoping to build a book collection?

I think that I already have all the ‘Lottie Brooks’ books as a collection and nearly all of the ‘Cat Kid Club’ books, but I still need to read some of those when I have time- I might keep them all. At the moment I think I have between 96 and 103 books but they are split between two houses so I probably need to count them to check.