I had the pleasure of visiting Year Four whilst the students were listening to their brilliant teacher, Miss Featherson reading a story. Parents and teachers who read stories aloud to children provide a strong positive influence and build a foundation for a lifetime of significant benefits. Miss Featherson has two routines a day where the students after lunch and afternoon tea gather together in front of her and listen to the next exciting chapter! I couldn’t help notice the special bonding experience that fostered one on one communication with the students in her class. I can’t imagine a conscientious teacher out there who doesn’t want develop such special bonds with their students whilst listening to a story. The other benefits of reading aloud, builds listening skills, increases attention span, develops natural curiosity and creativity, much more. So find a quiet spot and read a book to your children!