

Name: ***Maria Miguel***

Location: Vila do Conde, Portugal

Age: 4 years 11 months



This is the girl who almost 5 years ago brought unconditional love to our lives. She's the most adorable child and has a very strong ability to melt people's hearts. She loves music like nothing else.

When she was about to turn 3 she started to develop very consistently the ability to express herself through words. She loves singing, storytelling and asking again and again for the next episode of Paw Patrol

Although we had ups and downs in the last 2 years, Maria has never been able to walk consistently on her own. These days she is feeling less confident and so she prefers to crawl and play only on the ground. Better days will come, so we trust.

Since she was 11 months old, and a lot before we had the HNRNPH2 diagnose, she started physical therapy, then occupational therapy, speech therapy, hydro therapy, horse therapy, musical therapy and for the last year she also tried dancing – which she absolutely adores. It's amazing, for us as parents, to realize how far she came and how happy she can be with the relationships built with these wonderful therapists, as well as with her teachers (a special thanks to all of them).

In the end, Maria is all about **family, friends and love**. Between her and her sister a beautiful friendship is growing, and she absolutely loves her parents, grandparents, uncles and aunts, cousins and close friends. That's her circle of confidence.

Together with all the amazing parents and HNRNPH2 community we hope to have some answers to this condition and give our child the best of the world.

