At Valence, we believe immersion through speaking and listening, reading and writing, is how our pupils explore and make sense of the world beyond their own experiences. They acquire knowledge and build on what they already know. In order to create a lifelong enjoyment of literacy, we ensure our curriculum is diverse. This reflects the rich cultures of our families, enabling pupils to relate and connect to their learning.

P.R.A.I.S.E Pride Respect Achievement Independence Success Enjoyment

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| Title | | | | | | | |
| Word Reading - Phonics and | Continue a rhyming string. | Apply phonic knowledge to | Apply phonic decoding until | Use their phonic knowledge to | Read most words fluently and | Read most words fluently and | Read fluently with full knowledge of |
| Decoding | Hear and say the initial sound in words. Segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together and know which letter | decode words and blend to read aloud phonically-decodable texts. Re-read books to build fluency and confidence. | automatic and reading is fluent Read aloud books matched to phonic knowledge by sounding out unfamiliar words automatically. | decode quickly and accurately (may still need support to read longer unknown words). Apply their growing | attempt to decode any unfamiliar words with increasing speed and skill. Apply their knowledge of root | attempt to decode any unfamiliar words with increasing speed and skill, recognising their meaning through contextual cues. | all Y5/ Y6 common exception words, root words, prefixes, suffixes/word endings* and to decode any unfamiliar words |
| | represents some of them. Link sounds to letters, naming and sounding the | Read simple sentences and understand the meaning. | Read most words quickly & accurately without overt sounding and blending. | knowledge of root words and prefixes, including in-, im-, il-, ir-, dis-, mis-, un-, re- sub-, inter-, super-, antiand auto. | words, prefixes and suffixes/word endings to read aloud fluently. Read Year 3 and 4 common exception | To begin to work out how to pronounce unfamiliar written words. | with increasing speed and skill, recognising their meaning through contextual cues. |
| | letters of the alphabet. Use phonic knowledge to decode regular | 40+ letters /groups for 40+ phonemes including alternative sounds for graphemes. | Re-read books to build up fluency and confidence in word reading note punctuation to read with | Apply their growing knowledge of root words and suffixes/word | words, noting unusual correspondences. | Apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes/ word endings, including - | |

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| | words and read | Read polysyllabic | appropriate | endings, including - | | sion, -tion, -cial, - | |
| | them aloud | words containing | expression. | ation, -ly, -ous, - | | tial, -ant/-ance/- | |
| | accurately. | taught GPCs. | | ture, -sure, - sion, - | | ancy, - ent/-ence/- | |
| | | | Read accurately by | tion, -ssion and - | | ency, -able/-ably | |
| | Read some | Read common | blending, including | cian, to begin to | | and -ible/ibly, to | |
| | common irregular | suffixes (-s, -es, - | alternative sounds | read aloud. | | read aloud | |
| | words. | ing, –ed, –er and – | for graphemes. | | | fluently. | |
| | | est). | | Begin to read the | | | |
| | | | Read polysyllabic | Year 3 and 4 | | Begin to read the | |
| | | Read contractions | words containing | Common exception | | Year 5 and 6 | |
| | | and understand | above graphemes. | words, noting | | common exception | |
| | | that the | | unusual | | words, noting | |
| | | apostrophe | Read common | correspondences. | | unusual | |
| | | represents the | suffixes (-ed, -ing,- | | | correspondences. | |
| | | omitted letter(s). | er, -est, -y, -er, - | | | | |
| | | | ment, -ful, -ness, - | | | | |
| | | Read Y1 common | less, -ly). | | | | |
| | | exception words, | | | | | |
| | | noting unusual | Read Year 2 | | | | |
| | | correspondences | common exception | | | | |
| | | between spelling | words, noting | | | | |
| | | and sound and | unusual | | | | |
| | | where these occur | correspondences. | | | | |
| | | in words. | | | | | |
| Familiarity with | | Become familiar | Retell a range of | Know and be able to | retell some myths | Increase familiarity w | vith a wide range of |
| texts | | with and begin to | stories, fairy | and legends. | | books, including myt | hs, legends and |
| | | retell key stories, | stories and | | | traditional stories, m | odern fiction, fiction |
| | | fairy stories and | traditional tales. | Recognise some diffe | erent forms of | from our literacy her | itage and books |
| | | traditional tales. | | poetry. | | from other cultures a | and traditions. |
| | | | Build up a | | | | |
| | | Join in with | repertoire of | Prepare poems and | | Learn a wider range | |
| | | predictable | poems learnt by | aloud and to perform | - | preparing poems to | |
| | | words/phrases. | heart and recite | understanding throu | gh intonation, tone, | perform, showing un | derstanding through |
| | | | some with | volume and action. | | | |

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| | | Begin to recite some rhymes/poems by heart. Begin to look at the features of non-fiction books. | appropriate intonation. Introduced to non - fiction books that are structured in different ways. | Read a range of book structured in differen non -fiction) and for o | nt ways (including | intonation, tone and meaning is clear to the Continue to read and increasingly wide ran plays, non-fiction and reference or textboo are structured in difference of purposes. | ne audience. I discuss an ge of fiction, poetry, descriptions. Read books that erent ways and read |
| Book Talk | | Listen to and discuss a wide range of poems, stories and nonfiction at a level beyond that at which they can read independently. Participate in discussion about what is read to them, taking turns and listening to what others say. | Listen to and express views about contemporary and classic poetry, stories and nonfiction at a level beyond that at which they can read independently. Participate in discussion about books, poems and other works that are read to them and those that they can read for themselves, taking turns and listening to what others say. | Participate in discuss that are read to them they read for themse and listening to what Discuss a wide range plays, non-fiction and textbooks. | n and those that elves, taking turns tothers say. of fiction, poetry, | Recommend books to their peers, giving choices and making or reading material. Lead and participate books, building on the ideas and challenging explain and discuss to what they have representations and debates with reasons their views with incress. | reasons for their connections to other in discussions about eir own and other's views politely. Their understanding ad, including formal ed justifications for |

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| Meaning of Words | Ascribe meanings | Discuss word | Discuss and clarify | Discuss words and | Discuss words and | Check for sense | Focus on letters in |
| and authorial | to marks that they | meanings and link | the meanings of | phrases that | phrases that | and discuss | unfamiliar words |
| intent | see in different | new meanings to | words and link new | capture the | capture the | understanding and | to read accurately. |
| | places. | words already | meanings to | reader's interest | reader's interest | exploring the | |
| | | known. | known vocabulary. | and imagination. | and imagination. | meaning of words in context. | Identify how style is influenced by the |
| | | December and join | Discuss their | Discuss | Discuss | iii context. | audience and |
| | | Recognise and join | | | | Idontifyygaabylan | |
| | | in with predictable | favourite words | understanding and | understanding and | Identify vocabulary | purpose, |
| | | phrases. | and phrases. | identifying the | identifying the | chosen to convey | commenting on elements and |
| | | Discuss the | Docognico and | meaning of words in context. | meaning of words in context. | different | |
| | | | Recognise and | in context. | in context. | messages, moods, | making |
| | | significance of the title and events. | retain recurring | Use dictionaries to | Use dictionaries to | feelings and attitudes. | comparisons between books. |
| | | title and events. | language from texts previously | check the meaning | check the meaning | attitudes. | between books. |
| | | | read and read to | of words that they | of words that they | Identify and | Identify and |
| | | | | have read. | have read. | discuss structural | discuss structural |
| | | | them (patterns | nave read. | nave reau. | devices the author | devices the author |
| | | | and rhymes). | Idontify boy | Idoutify boy | has used to | has used to |
| | | | | Identify how | Identify how | | |
| | | | Use commas, | language, structure | language, structure | organise the text - | organise the text - |
| | | | question marks | and presentation | and presentation contribute to | Recognise clauses | appreciates how a |
| | | | and exclamation | contribute to | | within sentences. | set of sentences |
| | | | marks to vary | meaning in the whole text - | meaning - Identify how sentence | Comment and | has been arranged to create |
| | | | expression. | | | | |
| | | | Read aloud with | recognise how | types van be | compare the | maximum effect. |
| | | | | commas are used | changed by | language choices the author has | Discuss and |
| | | | expression and intonation. | to give more | altering word | made to convey | evaluate how |
| | | | intonation. | meaning. | order, tenses, | information | authors use of |
| | | | | | adding/deleting words and | | |
| | | | | | amending | including in a range of non-fiction | language, including figurative |
| | | | | | punctuation. | texts. | language, |
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| Retrieval | Reception | Draw on what they already know or background information and vocabulary to understand text. Identify the main character in a story or the subject of a non-fiction text Retell key events. Explain clearly their understanding of what is read to them, discussing the significance of the title and events. Check the text makes sense to them as they read and correct | Answer simple retrieval questions about a text. Ask simple questions to find the answer in a simple text. Discuss a sequence of events in a book and how items of information are related. Check the text makes sense to them as they read and correct inaccurate reading. | Check that the text makes sense to them. Answer literal retrieval questions and locate the information in the text. Begin to ask questions to improve their understanding of a text. Retrieve and record information from non-fiction — use contents and index to support. | Ask questions to support their understanding of the text. Retrieve and record information from non-fiction — use structure to support. | Ask questions and find the answer to questions in a text. Apply information retrieval skills across the curriculum – beginning to record key information. | Ask questions to support their understanding of the text and distinguish between fact and opinion. Explain understanding of what they have read, maintaining focus on the topic (using notes where necessary). Retrieve, record and present information from non-fiction. |
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| Sequence and summarise | | Sequence a simple story or event and use this to re-enact and retell. | Verbally identify main events or key points in a text. Sequence a range | Identify main ideas from within a text, chapter or passage and summarise these. | Identify the main ideas drawn from one paragraph and summarise these. | Use the skill of skimming and scanning to identify key ideas. | Use the skills of skimming and scanning, text marking and note taking to identify |
| | | Exploring basic structure of known | of stories or events and recall. | | | Begin to summarise the | key ideas. |

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| | | stories (beginning, middle, end). | | | | main ideas drawn from more than 1 paragraph, identifying key details that support the main ideas. | Summarise the main ideas drawn from more than 1 paragraph, identifying key details that support the main |
| Inference | | Make inferences about characters' feelings using what they say and infer basic points with direct reference to the pictures and words in the text. | Make inferences about characters' feelings using what they say and infer basic points. Begin, with support, to pick up on more subtle references. | Make inferences about characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their stated actions. Begin to justify them by referencing a specific point in the text. Identify themes and conventions in a range of books. | Make inferences about characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their stated actions. Consolidate the skill of justifying them using a specific reference point in the text. Identify themes and conventions in a wide range of books. | Make inferences about characters' feelings, thoughts and motives, giving one or two pieces of evidence to support the point they are making. Begin to draw evidence from more than one place cross a text. | ideas. Make inferences about characters' feelings, thoughts and motives, giving more than one piece of evidence to support each point made. Draw evidence from different places across the text. Discuss how characters change and develop through texts by drawing inferences based on indirect clues. Consider different accounts of the same event and to discuss viewpoints (both of authors |

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| | | | | | | | and of fictional characters). |
| Prediction | | To predict what might happen based on what has happened so far. Discuss the blurb and title of a book. | To predict what might happen based on the story so far. Predict events of a story based on the setting and predict how characters might behave based on what they do and from their appearance. | Predict what might happen from details stated and implied – make predictions about characters' actions and look for evidence. | Predict what might happen from details stated and implied- make predictions about characters' actions and look for evidence of change as a result of events. | Predict what might happen from details stated and implied. Make a prediction for how a character might change during a story and change predictions as events happen. Refer to text to support predictions and opinions. | Predict what might happen from details stated and implied – using more complex narratives e.g. with flashbacks, different points of view, narrative from two parallel threads. Refer to text to support predictions and opinions. |
| Links and comparisons | | Begin to link what they hear or read to their own experiences and share their ideas through discussion. | Begin to make links to their own experiences more readily when they are reading and discuss these with others. | Make links to their own experiences when reading in order to connect with the text. | Make links to their own experiences when reading in order to connect with the text. Identify themes and conventions across a range of books and note down these connections. | Begin to identify and discuss themes and conventions across a wide range of writing. Make comparisons within and across books. | Identify themes and conventions in and across a wide range of writing. |