

Valence News



A Magical Week of Reading at Valence School



It has been an exciting and magical week at Valence School as students and staff came together to celebrate World Book Day – all week long! Across the school, classrooms have been filled with stories, creativity, and a love of reading as students explored the wonderful world of books in a variety of fun and engaging ways.



Our Secondary students were transported into the wizarding world of Harry Potter through a series of magical challenges that took place throughout the week. After receiving a special invitation from Professor Albus Dumbledore, students were sorted into Hogwarts houses and took part in themed activities during their lessons. Teachers awarded house points to students who demonstrated the core values of Valence School, creating a friendly and exciting competition between classes. From magical quizzes and creative tasks to teamwork challenges, students fully embraced the spirit of Hogwarts.



The excitement continued with the opportunity for students to earn extra house points by dressing up in wizarding attire or in the colours of their Hogwarts house. The school was filled with witches, wizards, and house pride, making the celebration even more special.

Meanwhile, our Primary and Keller students have also been enjoying a week of themed lessons inspired by witches and wizards, based on the fantastic stories Room on the Broom and Superworm by Julia Donaldson. Throughout the week, students have taken part in a magical journey through a range of stories, collecting each one in their very own Book Passport.



On World Book Day, Primary and Keller students were invited to dress as a character of their choice, bringing their favourite stories to life around the school.



It has been wonderful to see so many students engaging with books, sharing stories, and celebrating the joy of reading together throughout the week.

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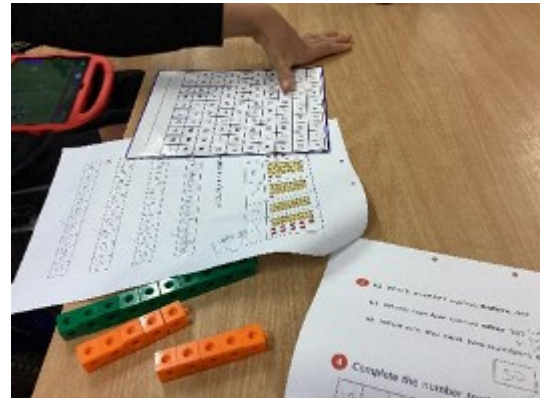
Leading Parent Partnership Award



Simmonds Maths News

Simmonds classes have made a great start to the term and are working very hard on their topics of learning.

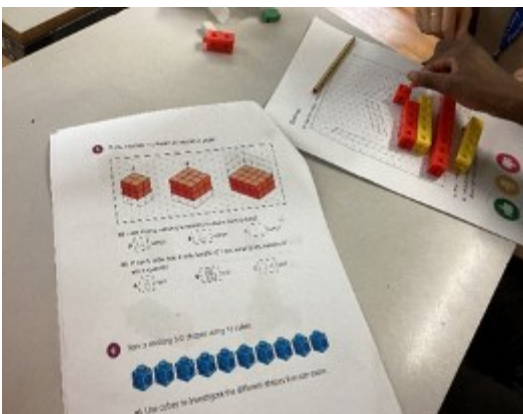
We are learning about numbers to 0-50 in S3. S4 is developing their understanding of numbers 20-50.



S5 is working hard to develop their understanding of Mass and Capacity, Temperature and Volume.

We are also practicing our skills in using shapes and telling the time.

Have a look at some of our work and the things we have been exploring in our maths lessons.



What type of maths have you explored today?

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A vibrant purple poster for an Easter Raffle. At the top left is a QR code. To its right, the text 'FRIENDS OF VALENCE' is written in light blue. Below this, three raffle tickets are shown, each with the word 'TICKET' and a star pattern. The central focus is a white banner with the words 'EASTER RAFFLE' in large, bold, purple letters. Below the banner, a blue ribbon contains the text 'DRAW MONDAY 30TH MARCH 2026'. At the bottom, white text lists the ticket price and prizes: 'TICKETS £1 EACH', 'PRIZES INCLUDE EXTRA LARGE EASTER EGG, BOTTLES OF ALCOHOL, EASTER BASKET AND MORE!'. The URL 'HTTPS://WWW.PEOPLESFUNDRAISING.COM/RAFFLE/FOV-EASTER-RAFFLE-2026' is printed in light blue at the very bottom. The background is decorated with several colorful Easter eggs and a blue ribbon.

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Date	Day	Time	DSL	DSL
05/03/2026	Friday	09:00 To midday	Matt Strange	Closed
		Midday to 4pm	Jo Chivers	
09/03/2026	Monday	07:30 To midday	Jo Chivers	Lisa Kavanagh
		Midday to 4pm	Lisa Kavanagh	
10/03/2026	Tuesday	09:00 To midday	Lisa Kavanagh	Jo Chivers
		Midday to 4pm	Jo Chivers	
11/03/2026	Wednesday	09:00 To midday	Jo Chivers	Matt Strange
		Midday to 4pm	Matt Strange	
12/03/2026	Thursday	09:00 To midday	Matt Strange	Jo Chivers
		Midday to 4pm	Jo Chivers	
13/03/2026	Friday	09:00 To midday	Jo Chivers	Closed
		Midday to 4pm	Lisa Kavanagh	

