



ThinkTank Education is an after-school educational programme available at Nettlebed School for children in years 3 - 6.

What is ThinkTank Education?

ThinkTank's innovative programme for primary school children uses carefully selected games and puzzles from around the world to develop and sharpen children's **thinking, problem solving and interpersonal skills**. Through the well-structured curriculum, children learn how to apply these essential life skills to everyday situations - all whilst having a wonderful time!

ThinkTank allows children to improve life skills, self-control and self-confidence, it also helps to sharpen their thinking processes which include:

Decision Making	Handling Emotions	Spatial Thinking
Memory Training	Problem Solving	Logical Thinking
Mathematical Thinking	Social Cooperation	Personal responsibility

So, what happens in a ThinkTank class?

- A GROUP DISCUSSION OR FUN ACTIVITY AROUND THE LESSON'S MAIN THEME AND CENTRAL CONCEPTS, CONCENTRATING USUALLY ON ONE GAME PER WEEK.
- EXPLANATION OF THE RULES AND AIMS OF THE GAME AND PLAYING THE GAME (NORMALLY IN PAIRS OR FOURSOMES).
- LEARNING RELEVANT GAME STRATEGIES AND THINKING CONCEPTS.
- TESTING OUT THE THINKING CONCEPTS THROUGH PLAYING THE GAME.
- DISCUSSING HOW THE THINKING CONCEPTS AND GAME STRATEGIES CAN BE APPLIED IN THE GAME AND ALSO IN REAL LIFE SITUATIONS.
- A REFLECTIVE SUMMARY IN WHICH THE CHILDREN RELATE THEIR LEARNING, FEELINGS AND THOUGHTS DURING THE LESSON.
- THE ETIQUETTE OF GAME PLAYING AND SPORTSMANSHIP IS STRESSED THROUGHOUT THE LESSON.

ThinkTank takes place at the school on a Monday from 3.30 – 4.30pm. It is a 14 week programme and will cost £91.00.

If your child would then like to join the programme in the autumn term you can apply through the school.

Strategic play for future success