

Autumn Term Year 4



Think like a Reader

The Queen's Nose is an adventure story about a girl called Harmony. Her uncle sends her on a treasure trail - which disappointingly ends in her finding a 50p piece. But the coin is a magic one, and when you rub the queen's nose, your wishes will come true!

We are reading...



Think like a Writer

Young Gifted and Black is a non-fiction text that celebrates the inspirational achievements of fifty-two trailblazing black women and men, including artists, sports legends, scientists and activists among many others.

In writing this term we will be learning how to write:

- First person diary entry
- Persuasive writing
- Third person adventure story.

Think like a Mathematician

First, we will focus on place value and correctly identifying the place value of digits in a given number. After this, we will focus on how to add and subtract using formal methods. We will be learning how to calculate area of rectilinear shapes. Then, we will be focussing on multiplication and division, starting by revisiting individual times tables before moving onto formal methods of multiplication.

Think like a Scientist

In the first half of the term, our main focus will be on living things and their habitats including recognizing that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways, exploring and using classification keys and recognizing that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.

Following on from this, we will be looking at states of matter, this will include; comparing and grouping materials together, according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases, observing that some materials change state when they are heated or cooled and identifying the part played by evaporation and condensation in the water cycle.

Think like an Artist

In the first half term, we will be studying drawing. We will use our knowledge of shading and sketching to create patterns, taking inspiration from Giorgio Morandi. In the second half term, we will be studying painting. We will explore the style of Georgia O'Keefe and recreate some of her abstract work.

Think like a Linguist

En Mi Estuche

In this unit, we will learn to name and describe items in our pencil case. We will learn to pronounce, read and write the items correctly.

Think like a Geographer

Latitude and Longitude

This term, we are learning about longitude, latitude and time zones and investigating how these lines inform us about its location.

Rivers

We will be learning about the features of a river and looking at issues linked to erosion.

Think like a Person of Faith

What is the best way for a Jewish person to lead a good life?

We will look at how Jewish people celebrate their faith.

What is the most significant part of the nativity story for Christians today?

We will focus on the different parts of the nativity story and what they mean to Christians today.

Think like a Musician

In our first half term, we will be learning all about Carole King and the many famous songs she has written, as well as learning her song 'You've got a Friend' with some accompanying glockenspiel parts.

In the second half-term, we'll be continuing our work on Glockenspiels, following on from Stage 1 in Y3; learning to read music and learn more about the 4 key features of a piece of music and notation/duration.

Think like a Designer

Mechanisms

We will be learning about how doors open and how many different ways there are to join a door to its frame.

Food and Nutrition

We will explore the difference between freshly made and mass-produced food. We will also focus on common foods that are part of a healthy diet that can be easily made rather than bought in a shop.

Think like a Computational Thinker

Within our computing units this term, we will be unpicking what The Internet is and how it is now an integral part in our society. Following on from this we will look at audio production, this will include everything from how sound is recorded to what makes a good voice recording. We even get the chance to look into Podcasting and how these are created.

Think like a Digital Citizen

As a digital citizen this term we will be learning how best to manage online information to make sure we are safe online. Following this, we will delve into the world of Copyright and ownership and how it is vital we understand who information belong to online.

Think like a Historian

How did Britain change when the Anglo-Saxons arrived?

We will be studying the settlement of the Anglo-Saxons and Scots in Britain. We will look at the chronology of events and will learn about the impact that their arrival had on society, religion and politics during this time.

Think like a Responsible Citizen

There are many exciting topics for us to explore this term within our PSHE lessons. Firstly, we will look deeper into the intricacies of friendships. This will be followed by looking to how family units can differ and the different varieties our children may be part of. We will finally look further into successful ways of working together as a team and the challenges that we can sometimes face when doing this.

Think like an Athlete

In P.E this term, we will be learning about netball and tennis. In netball we will practice our throwing, catching and shooting skills and in tennis we will work on our rallies. We will also continue to practice our Drumba skills.