

Developing Creativity and Thinking Skills in Foundation Stage and KS1

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We aim to develop effective young learners who are able to think critically and use their own creative ideas.

Children need to be able to think critically if they are to develop creativity - Piaget tells us that children's minds develop in response to challenge - how can we ensure we are providing this challenge?

- What kind of learners do we want to develop?
- What kind of teachers do we need to be?
- What kind of environment should we provide for our children?
- How do we become thinking partners with our children?

Through the exploration of these questions, this practical and engaging day will identify approaches and resources to develop and extend critical thinking and creativity.

Participants will leave the programme with loads of ideas, practical solutions and confidence to implement exciting and engaging activities for all learners in FS and KS1.

We will consider how to encourage our children:

- to have their own ideas
- make links
- choose the way to do things.