

**Ambition 1 – to be able to retell a narrative using ambitious vocabulary**

- Comparing fiction and non-fiction books.
- Minibeast poems
- Gigantosaurus – learning dinosaur facts
- Harry and his Bucket Full of Dinosaurs – writing our own adventure
- The Tiny Seed – learning about germination
- Daily cross curricular reading opportunities

**Ambition 2 – to be able to confidently take risks**

- Mindfulness Mondays – develop the use of a range of skills using a variety of materials
- Constructing and designing models using a variety of tools safely
- Mud Kitchen – making dinosaur snacks that strong teeth can crunch

**Ambition 3 – to be a global green citizen**

- Using materials from the forest to create Andy Goldsworthy sculptures
- Having –‘Activate’ and ‘reset’ teams to take responsibility for classroom learning areas
- To learn about the environmental impact of pollution and recycling

**Ambition 4 – to develop independence and take care of ourselves**

- Dinosaur Teeth –what made them so strong and how can we make ours strong too?
- Jigsaw – sharing dreams and planning to reach goals
- Looking after our clothes when changing for PE
- Putting on aprons when in creative and outdoor areas.

**DIG A LITTLE DEEPER  
RECEPTION SPRING TERM**



**Ambition 5 – to celebrate a variety of cultures**

- Learning about festivals and celebrations taking place in this half term
- Visitors invited in to share celebrations from their religion or traditions from their cultures.
- African music area – compose and perform short pieces of music in time to African backing tracks

**Why “Dig a little deeper?”**

We are thinking about Spring and the growing that takes place under the soil. We are also finding out about dinosaurs who’s fossils were found in the ground. Later in the term we will be learning about seeds and minibeasts and their role in the ecosystem.

As this is the second term the children have been in Reception it is time to assess their learning and consider how we can support the children to make deeper connections across the curriculum.

**Ambition 6 – to consistently use good manners**

- Gigantosaurus - Exploring the moral of this story and why it is important to be honest. Linking this to the Golden Rules.
- Singing songs about washing hands, please and thank you.
- Modelling the importance of good manners when speaking to one another
- Turn taking games