

## **Department of Childrens Services**

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Dear Chris Tolson,

I am writing to thank you for using Nell Bank over the last month, it has been an absolute pleasure to see every child from The Academy at St James visit us an engage so positively in our outdoor learning programmes.

Your commitment to enriching the learning opportunities for every child in your school is fantastic and an example of great practice which I hope more schools adopt.

I would also like to commend your pupils for both their behaviour and their enthusiasm whilst visiting us, it has been commented on by a number of our tutors who have thoroughly enjoyed working with them. In addition your staff team have also done a brilliant job in supporting us to deliver our programmes and in ensuring the children gain as much from their experience as possible.

We have also enjoyed following your visits, and follow up activity, on social media – a brilliant advert for the school, outdoor learning and how local resources such as Nell Bank can be used so positively.

Thanks again and we look forward to seeing you again soon.

Kindest regards

Dan Goodey Head of Centre