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Mrs Rachael Phillips
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Birrelee M.A.C.S - Aboriginal Early Childhood Long Day Care
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Dear Mrs Phillips

I wanted to extend my sincere thanks for the warm welcome I received during my visit to Birrelee M.A.C.S Aboriginal Early Childhood Long Day Care during my visit to the Tamworth region. I acknowledge your introduction and history about Birrelee, and your commitment and passion are to be commended.

It was a privilege to spend time with the children and meet with your staff, being part of the children's performance was very special for me and one I will remember. The enthusiasm of the children reflected the important work Birrelee does and the commitment to ensuring language is part of their education from early years. The environment you have created embraces culture, knowledge and community leadership is something to be celebrated.

Please pass on my thanks to the staff, the children and their families who made my visit so memorable. If you require any further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the National Indigenous Australians Agency, Regional Manager Mr Leon Donovan on 0414 843 413 or via email leon.donovan@niaa.gov.au.

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A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Malarndirri McCarthy".

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