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Dear Natalie

I am writing in support of the Level 2 Award in an Introduction to Neuroscience in Early Years qualification.

Northumbria University Nursery is situated on the Northumbria University Campus in a purpose- built, building registered for young children aged 6 months to 4+ years of Northumbria staff, students and professional parents working in Newcastle city centre.

I believe this qualification is valuable for learners because it provides them with the underpinning knowledge and understanding of early brain development and how positive early experiences can establish a sturdy foundation for learning, health and behaviour. This enables learners to respond to the unique learning and developmental needs of very young children.

This qualification will give learners an introduction to neuroscience in early years, enabling them to progress to further and higher education, supporting CPD and the Practitioner role in the workplace.

The level 2 award is suitable for anyone aged 16 and upwards.

By signing below I provide my consent for the contents of this letter to be published electronically on NCFE Group websites for the purposes of demonstrating endorsement and understand that quotes could be used in marketing material. I also acknowledge that the contents of this letter may be kept on record by NCFE Group where required for audit, legal or regulatory purposes.

The focus on development of skills and knowledge at this level prepares learners for progression into a range of higher level qualifications within the early years sector. Learners

may also choose to use the skills and knowledge developed as a basis for seeking employment within child care and related sectors.

I confirm that we fully support the Level 2 Award in an Introduction to Neuroscience in Early Years qualification.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Thorpe', written in a cursive style.

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