



Dear Cale,
I know how much you love digging in the sandpit so it came as no surprise to see that you transferred this interest to digging in the mud! You spent AGES playing in our mud pit! You sat in your mud hole and asked me if I could get you some warm water, I think you might have seen Leighton having a warm mud spa. I got you a big bucket of warm water, and then another. Perrin and Anna took on the challenge of carrying the water to you on the last leg of the journey. You lay back on the muddy ground with your feet in the warm muddy pool, you looked so relaxed! Perrin and Anna had quite a struggle carrying the bucket and at one point nearly gave up "Its too heavy!" Anna said, then Perrin had a good idea to use smaller

containers to bucket the warm water to you. You stayed put, as still as a rock, and soon the friends had managed to scoop the warm water up and pour it into your muddy spa! After quite a while lying down you decided it was time to move on. I offered you a lovely warm bath. We pretended to be the characters in the Mrs Wishy Washy story and Jo took photos of us that I have turned into a book to read to the children and give you a copy to keep! We read the story several times today and Jo read it at mat time too. I will give you a copy of the book to take home and show your family!





What learning is happening here?

Cale, one of the important aims we have here at Chelsea kindergarten is to support children in their interests, to find out more about who they are and what brings them joy and delight. I think we know that you LOVE digging and mud and messy play! I was really interested to see how you absolutely surrendered to the muddy ground,



how you lay there for so long, just relaxing, your body so still! You are a fabulously active person, so its so great to see that here in the mud is a place where you can really slow down and rest! And of course the lovely warm tub of water at the end did a good job of warming you up and washing you off at the same time!

Love Julie 17/8/17

Post script

I shared this story with your Mum and she told me that you LOVE lying down and relaxing in puddles and other places in nature! She sent me these photos of you today! OH MY GOODNESS CALE!!!! I

JUST LOVE LOVE LOVE THAT YOU DID THIS!!! How FANTASTIC!!!! There is a wonderful author called Natalie Goldberg, in one of her books she talks about how lots of people have a negative attitude to rain-she says 'EAT THE RAIN" in other words-say YES to the rain, instead of running away from it like its going to melt us, embrace it, eat it! You clearly are someone who says YES to puddles and mud and full on sensory experiences! FABULOUS!!!! I might offer you a big batch of slime to wallow in next!

Love

Julie

17/8/17



Oh the absolute joy and bliss! Total relaxation in warm mud xoxoxox.



Paula Lipscombe commented on a [story '\[Untitled\]'](#)

"Wonderful memories for Cale to look back on, he certainly is a sensory kid and loves to get totally mucky in whatever he is doing. His dad reckons he is prime bait for military boot camp!! look forward to seeing the booklet x"



Julie Killick

10 hours ago



Thanks for being so positive and understanding about all the VERY grubby clothes that are coming home-you are a LEGEND! XOX

Rex Peita commented on a [story '\[Untitled\]'](#)

"... my little guy has such an amazing zest for life ...it is heart-warming to watch him truly be a "kid""
