

# Charlotte Lusson

## Afternoon Kindergarten Teacher



I grew up on a cattle ranch north of Edmonton alongside my nine siblings. Yes, we were ten children, a typical big French, Catholic family. I have fond memories of running bare feet in summer and trudging through deep snow in winter, under the bright, blue, prairie sky.

Guided by my love of French and children, I acquired a BEd from the Campus St. Jean, at the U of A, specializing in Early Childhood Education. Over the years I taught nursery, Kindergarten, Grades 1, 2 and 3. I also delved into homeschooling and created nature based preschool programs, while my husband and I enjoyed life with our four children. While searching for a school for my son, Jesse, who is now in Grade 7 at our school, I discovered the WISE.

I was enamoured by the way it invited children to be children, to play, explore and live into their senses. I loved all of the art, singing, drama, and visual beauty of the school. I was thrilled to know that being part of nature was intrinsic to the curriculum. I had found a new home.

I am so pleased to be teaching Kindergarten for the fourth consecutive year. I look forward to spending many precious moments with your children, embraced by nature, guiding them in what they do best, learning and developing life skills through the art of play.

Floating on the waters of the North Saskatchewan River is a flower creation I made as an offering. I had so much fun creating it that I wanted to share it with you. I love rocks, sticks, and flowers. I love nature and all of its beauty. I also enjoy singing, writing, baking, knitting and playing the flute. I took a course this summer to delve deeper into flute playing, because I am still just learning. Perhaps I will get to share my flute playing with you this year.

