

Dawn Bailey

Grade 1 Teacher



Dawn Bailey grew up in Edmonton, spending her childhood immersed in nature, music, and art. As a young adult, she pursued a trio of passions: music, yoga, and language learning. Dawn earned her Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Toronto and her Master of Music degree from McGill University, specializing in the performance of Baroque and Renaissance music. During this time, she also became a certified yoga teacher and often spent her summers in Europe studying languages. For many years, she balanced life as a professional singer and yoga teacher, traveling across Canada and northern Europe for performances. She chose to return to Edmonton when her eldest child was born. Watching her own children grow and learn about the world ignited a spark in her, leading her to turn her attention to education. Always enthusiastic about learning and the process of learning, she dove headlong into this new path. Dawn first attained her Waldorf Early Childhood Educator training from the West Coast Institute, then pursued an After Degree in Elementary Education at the University of Alberta. She served in many capacities for the Waldorf Independent School of Edmonton, including leading a Parent and Child program, substitute teaching for classroom aides and practicum student in Class 1. Dawn is a lifelong seeker of beauty and wisdom, inspired by the pedagogy and practice of Waldorf Education. She strives to continue to grow as a teacher and as a human being each day so that she can offer her students the very best. When she is not teaching, she loves camping with her children, taking long walks in the river valley, gardening, and singing.