

# Angelique Nash- Thurmeier Class Teacher

Angelique Nash-Thurmeier was born and grew up in Edmonton, where she enjoyed exploring nature, sports, writing, art, singing, dancing, and generally getting into mischief early on. When she was 19, she got recruited to teach English to foreign language speakers, adult university students visiting from South Korea. Later that year, she landed in Korea, where she spent a total of 4 years, primarily teaching Pre-Kindergarten to Grade Six and teaching at a BC International School.

Angelique graduated from Vancouver Island University in 2011 with a K-12 Bachelor of Education degree and extensive practicum experience in Grades 2, 3, 5, 6 and 8. Among her top favourite things to do are interacting with, learning from and teaching children of all ages. While in university on Vancouver Island, she learned about permaculture. She discovered a deep love for and was offered leadership positions in school and community gardens, which she continues to foster today.

Between arriving at the WISE and teaching in South Korea, Angelique travelled, taught middle school on a BC First Nations reserve, privately tutored students ages 4-16 designated with Autism and served as a caregiver. She is delighted and honoured to have landed in such a beautiful place and caring community that is the WISE.

Things that are important to Ms. Angelique include listening and speaking from the heart, patience, gratitude, perseverance, helpfulness, generosity, conscientiousness, creative expression, music and art, freedom and development of thought, sustainability, the natural and ethereal worlds, soil, plants, animals, social harmony, health, well-made woodwork and hand tools, delicious and nutritious food, relationships and kindness.