

Renewal Online 2021

Interactive Courses for Inspiration, Study, & Connection

Teaching Grade 4: Landing on the Earth with Both Feet with Wendy Kelly June 27-July 2, 2021 Tuition: \$425

Fourth grade children have grown from being tender youngsters to arriving at the threshold of a new era as able elementary school pupils. They are the youngest of the older students in our schools. These children tend to be powerfully curious, thoughtful, active and bold yet still tender-hearted and young. They are like young saplings, flexible and sturdy, reaching for the sun. The new skills and emerging cognitive powers of these children ask us to provide meaningful content and challenges in every aspect of school life. Their friendships become more and more important. They need support and guidance to navigate the fast waters of life into which they are eager to venture. They need our warmth and focused interest.



The rich curriculum of fourth grade offers many opportunities to excite and stimulate the growing hearts and minds of these students. We will explore the often humorous, conflict-filled world of the Norse gods through story and artistic renderings. The animal kingdom is a favorite among children of this age, and we will explore our human attributes alongside the abilities and habits of the wide world of animals. Local geography gives us an opportunity to explore the physical and historical landscapes of our own neighborhood. Here we include the importance of First Nation people and how we can share their stories and life ways as part of geography. Fractions, reading comprehension, and English grammar are the building blocks needed for advancing academic skills; we will discuss resources and lesson plans on these topics as well. Artistic inspirations and projects will be shared to support all of the fourth grade topics. We will also discuss our relationships with parents, parent meetings, and student connections with us and their peers. We will cover block rotations, projects, working with a wide range of intellectual needs and abilities, and how to manage the enormous task of being a teacher with an economic use of precious time.

Morning lectures with Christof Wiechert

Daily Sessions with Chérie and Petna Ndaliko: *Decomposing the Colonial Gaze*

Singing with Meg Chittenden

Wendy Kelly earned a B.A. in both Dance and Psychology at the University of Maryland, College Park; an MFA in Dance from Temple University; and an M.S.Ed. in Waldorf Education from Sunbridge College. Ms. Kelly was a class teacher for ten years at the Green Meadow Waldorf School in Chestnut Ridge, NY. She is currently the 6th grade class teacher at the Rudolf Steiner School in NYC, where she has been teaching since 2011. Wendy has also taught a number of teacher training and grades preparation workshops at Sunbridge Institute.



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