

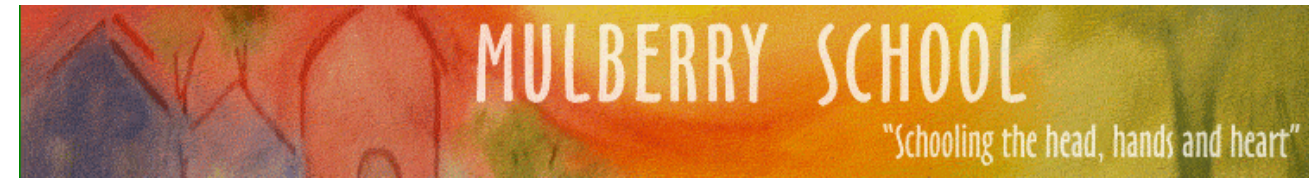
“Waldorf education goes deep. In contrast to current ‘mile wide, inch deep’ curricula in some other school systems, Waldorf education takes time to develop understanding, independent thinking, the imagination, and self sufficiency. These attributes enable people to use their knowledge with wisdom and care.”

*Katharine Smithrim, Professor,
Faculty of Education, Queen’s University*

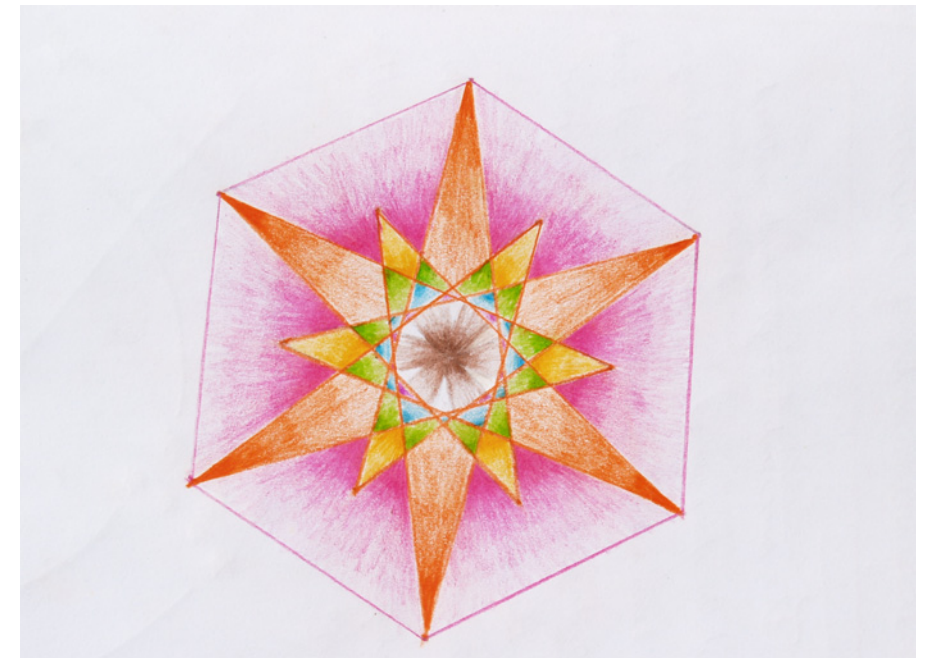
Mulberry School

GRADES 1-8 • KINDERGARTEN • MORNING GARDEN
PARENT & CHILD • PARENT & INFANT

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Intermediate Program Grades 6, 7 and 8



Complex geometrical drawing by Grade 6 student.

*Preparation for active intellectual, physical and artistic development
in a harmonious environment that honours and celebrates
the transition from childhood to adolescence.*



Mulberry School offers an extensive Music program..



About Mulberry School

Mulberry School started as a playgroup in 1993, inspired by the principles of Waldorf education. Our school now offers our well-loved Parent and Child programs, Morning Garden and Kindergarten, and Grades One through Eight.

Mulberry School is an independent, non-denominational school, governed by the Faculty and Board of Directors, and supported by the Administrator and standing committees of the Board. We are a non-profit Ontario corporation and a registered charity.

Mulberry School is a Waldorf Developing school within the Association of Waldorf Schools of North America. Waldorf education was founded in 1919 by Rudolf Steiner in Stuttgart, Germany. Today there are more than 800 Waldorf Schools worldwide. The Waldorf curriculum and teaching methods address the whole child – head, hands and heart, through each stage of the child’s development.

Grade 6-8 Program

The journey through grades 6-8 takes the student from Rome, through medieval history, the Renaissance, the Age of Exploration, the French, American and Industrial Revolutions, up to the present day. The breadth of the curriculum encourages the development of balanced, multifaceted individuals. The arts deepen the student’s experience of the subjects and awaken new forms of self-awareness. The class play is the highlight of the year with children rising to the tasks of staging a Shakespearean play by grade eight. A violin and choir program with professional musicians is also offered. A robust physical education program including team sports rounds out the program. The challenging Waldorf curriculum, with its myriad perspectives on every subject, the social cohesion and small class size, the guidance and understanding provided by caring and enthusiastic teachers, brings clarity and balance to today’s adolescent.



Children problem-solving at the board.

Grade 6

In the sixth grade, the harmony and balance often experienced in grade five fade and pre-adolescent struggles begin to appear. The child is feeling critical, uncomfortable and longs to be part of a group. The faculties for critical thinking are awakening. The curriculum meets these changes with studies in Roman History, its laws, its vanities and excesses, its conquests and heroes. A study of medieval times follows. The children of this age are strongly drawn in to the struggles and stories of individuals who lived through difficult times. In Science, geology studies brings a picture of the ever-changing movement and development of our planet. The study of physics draws on the children’s observational abilities. Business math, percentages and a review of decimals and fractions are covered. Complex geometrical drawing is also taught to develop precision and an eye for beauty. (see the Grade 6 geometrical drawing on the front cover).

**Waldorf Education:
Bringing out the thinker, the scientist,
the poet, the musician, and the
writer in your child.**



Academics imbued with beauty.

Grade 7 (September 2006)

A seventh grader will learn the biographies of great people such as Leonardo da Vinci. They will also study physiology, the physics of simple machines and algebra, so that the totality of the 16th century comes alive in the classroom. The adventures of the European explorers, their discoveries and also their follies are studied. Venturing into the unknown is truly the inner path of the age group. Students begin work in chemistry by discovering the exciting and dangerous nature of fire, acids, bases and salts. Geometry and physics move to a more advanced level. Composition writing brings out new creativity as the students delve into “wish, wonder and surprise.”

Grade 8 (September 2007)

Grade eight finds students in the throes of puberty. It is a good time to study revolutions in modern history. The French, Russian and American revolutions all begin with ideas and visions of a better future. In the confusion and bloodshed that followed everything seemed to be destroyed but slowly something new was born. Revolution became evolution. Thus history is visited, not as a collection of dates and events, but as a sense of processes that shape the destiny of humanity. Physics, human physiology and anatomy, global geography, meteorology, organic chemistry, algebra, composition and drama round out the curriculum.

Subject	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Special Subjects for all 3 grades
History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Troy • Rome • Crusades • Medieval society 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reformation • Renaissance • Voyages of discovery • Ages of exploration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • American history • Canadian history • Industrial revolution to modern history 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • French • German • Choir • Music • Handwork • Physical education • Woodwork • Painting • Drawing
Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central, South and North America 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Europe and Africa • Map reading • Weather 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World economics • Australia • Asia 	
Language Arts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transitive and intransitive verbs • Subjunctive mood • Conditional sentences • Parts of speech review • Phrases and clauses • Sentence diagramming • Compositions with exposition, narration and contrast • Poetry and ballads 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of grammar • Original compositions • Research papers • Learn the forms of poetry • Arthurian Legends • Biographies • Tales of adventure and discovery • Historic novels • Humorous stories • Stories from the Renaissance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of grammar • Original writing in main lesson books • Newspaper reporting • Write a skit or short play • Shakespeare • Poetry: epic and drama • Stories about different peoples • World literature 	
Mathematics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Percentages • Area • Business Math • Geometry • Review of Decimals and Fractions • Problem solving 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Algebra • Integers • Power • Roots • Bases • Metric • Perspective • Geometry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Algebra • Geometry of solids • Graphing • Coordinates • Problem solving • Review 	
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mineralogy • Acoustics • Optics • Electro-magnetism • Heat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Astronomy • Physiology and nutrition • Inorganic chemistry • Mechanics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physics • Meteorology • Climatology • Organic chemistry • Physiology 	