

Author Sandra Wilson and
The Kindness Kangaroo Project



Sandra Wilson
Children's Author

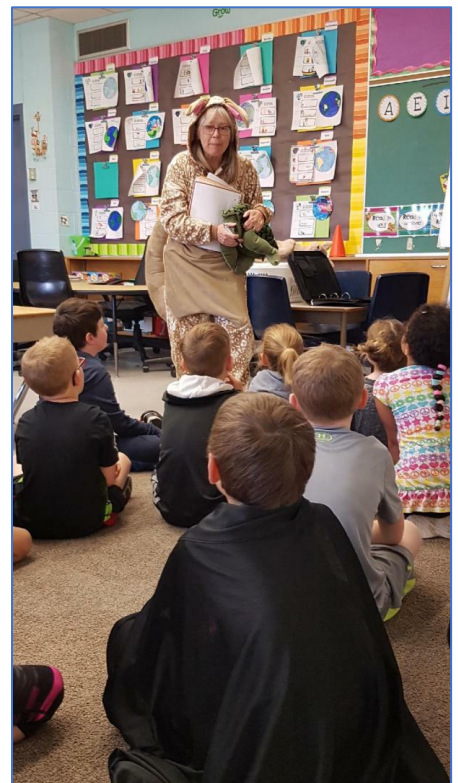
Who is Sandra Wilson?

Author Sandra Wilson is passionate about empowering children through creativity. She works with them to write and illustrate books that show them how they can make a difference in this world. She has combined 35 years of working with children with her passion for writing and created the Kindness Kangaroo Project.



What is the Kindness Kangaroo Project?

The Kindness Kangaroo Project involves Sandra working with classrooms to gather story ideas and get student-drawn illustrations for each story in the current book series. These discussions involve topics and scenarios that reinforce inclusion, acceptance, kindness and friendship in an age-appropriate context. Once the book is complete Sandra returns to the school to present the book to the school library and acknowledge and applaud the children that helped create it.



The Kindness Kangaroo Project is an initiative that not only builds excitement for reading but helps empower children and inspire creativity. The children participate in a group discussion and are actively involved in creating characters and developing ideas and strategies on how they could respond in various situations. One of the positive outcomes of this project is empowering children by guiding them to feel valued and showing them that their creativity is an important part of the book. This project provides core curriculum correlations in literature, art and social development and involves the children in all aspects of the book creating process. The books that come out of this project have a special meaning for the children involved but also offer fun stories, relatable drawings and a great learning experience for all those who read them. In fact, the ripple effect of the kindness and inclusion these books promote has gone well beyond the classroom.

Rates

Book package – working together to create a printed book

\$250 (about \$10/student) includes:

2 visits (1 to brainstorm ideas for the book and the second for the book launch)

FREE book for the school/group library

Group discount on purchase of books

Travel fees for outside the Region of Waterloo are extra.

If you wish to have your class/group participate in a Kindness Kangaroo Project book workshop, please request the application form from sandra@quiteacharacter.ca

"It was an absolute pleasure collaborating with Sandra on Courageous Caterpillar. Her calm and engaging presence helped the children connect immediately. She was so organized & generous throughout the entire process. We are so grateful."

Creative Writing Classes

Inspiring kids with confidence, creativity and storytelling skills.

Author Sandra Wilson offers classes, courses and sessions designed to inspire a love of writing stories in children. Sandra's interactive lessons offer a focus on inspiring the creativity behind a story but also define the foundation of a story so students can build on their storytelling skills.

Offerings and Rates

Session – 1 hour - \$50

This is a one-off session that introduces the idea of inspiration behind stories, includes a story reading of one of Author Sandra Wilson's book with a short behind the scenes "look" at how the story came to be made. There will be a brief lesson on finding inspiration of your own with encouragement to go off and create some stories.

Classes – 1 hour each (must book 2 or more) - \$45 each

These interactive classes are designed to build storytelling skills in kids by offering opportunities for them to create an idea for a story and learn how to build the foundation to help them bring the story to life. Each class would get them a step further to completing their own story.

Courses – 4 week (\$150) or 6 week (\$250)

These courses are designed to take the students from inspiration to complete story. Each one-hour class offers lessons and activities to get them started on a story, build that story and bring the story to a successful conclusion. The 6-week course offers added input from Author Sandra Wilson on the stories themselves, and the steps to create them into a book.

Travel fees for outside the Region of Waterloo are extra.

If you wish to book a creative writing session, class or course, please request the application form from sandra@quiteacharacter.ca

"This is a great way to inspire children's creative writing. It truly does make writing more of an adventure than an assignment. Thank you, Sandra, for encouraging every child to enjoy learning their own way.

Author visits

An author visit is an opportunity to connect children with the magic of reading and writing. It can offer inspiration and encouragement for their own reading and writing journeys. It allows children to see the person behind the story and really connect to a book, which can not only help them take the book further but also introduce them to a world of creativity within their reach.

Offerings and Rates

Author Visit - \$50/hour

Author Sandra Wilson is happy to visit a school, classroom or group to share one or more of her stories. Her presentation talks about why the book was created and also offers some discussion on the underlying topic of the book and activities and ideas to further the focus of the book. There is also opportunity for a question-and-answer session with the author.

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"the kids were so excited after you came that they asked if they could write books instead of go on their tech for free time on a Friday (unheard of!). Lol"