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Hi everyone! Congratulations to the Children's School – what a tremendous milestone! Sorry I can't be there to help celebrate.

Even though it was a long time ago, I have found memories of my time at the children's school. Things that stand out for me:

- Lots of fun, creative and interactive learning
- Great attention and instruction from Chris Nicholson (and others)
- One of my classmates fitting herself into the tiny attic of the dollhouse
- Running around like a wild child around the grounds
- Being walked to school by my mother – and having her tell me about the biology course she was taking at Earlham
- Lots and lots of art (at least that's what I have piles of in storage!)

I remember my transition to Joseph Moore Elementary being a little rough. It was just so rigid compared to what I was used to! Little did I know that I would be drawn to a similar style of education later down the road.

After graduating from Earlham College I spent seventeen year leading trips and doing administrative work for the Voyageure Outward Bound School in Minnesota, Canada, Texas and Mexico. Adventure, working as a team and confidence building were all a part of Outward Bound's integrative education style (sound familiar?!?).

Several years ago I stopped working full-time with Outward Bound to be able to be closer to family and begin to pursue other career interests, mainly photography, more actively. I'm currently living in Minneapolis and doing landscaping as my day job, shooting weddings and other events, as I'm able.

Congratulations and best wishes,

David Owen