

**Jens Bjørneboe** – a Norwegian writer and teacher who lived from 1920 – 1976. He took up many important themes in his writing. An entire generation of young people at that time valued him enormously for writing critically about the educational system, the penal system and the authoritarian system of the establishment.

As Waldorf teachers we are very grateful for what he has written about the Waldorf school, and his book *Jonas* has probably made a greater singular contribution to the Waldorf movement than anything else in Norway.

Among some of his most important books is the trilogy on the history of bestiality where he shows us how evil goes through history in its many different shapes.

In the course of this conference we will present the writer and the teacher Jens Bjørneboe. But above all we will look at some of the themes he raised in his books, especially the theme of *evil* in all its different forms: in conflict situations, in preventing people from expressing their thoughts, in war and discrimination etc.

We are convinced that working with these questions is important for modern society, and that taking them up will make us more prepared to meet the young people in our schools.

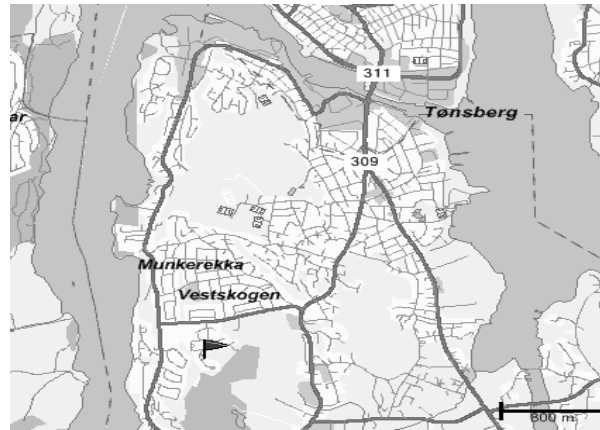
We have found several of Norway's most significant people to present some of these questions. In addition to exploring these themes, we will also take the time to enjoy ourselves by the sea, listening to music and poetry and visiting the last place Bjørneboe lived.



Please join us as we invite you not only to explore with us the darkness of evil, but also to share with us its counterpart—the incomparable beauty of the Nordic mid-summer light and the sea.



**The organizing committee welcomes you heartily to Vestfold!**



### Arrival

The Rudolf Steinerskolen i Vestfold lies on the island of Nøtterøy, close to the city of Tønsberg, about 100 km south of Oslo. Arriving by car, you drive through Tønsberg following the signs for Tjøme. Cross the bridge over the canal, and continue straight on after the roundabout. After 3 km you will see a sign on your right hand side indicating Vestskogen. Turn to the right, and after about 200 m you will see the Waldorf School on your left hand side.

By train/bus: to Tønsberg (from Oslo every hour).

By plane: to Torp/Sandefjord, bus from there to Tønsberg every hour.

Bus nr 116 to Vestskogen from the bus terminal (5 minutes walk from the railway station) in Tønsberg every 20 minutes.

A taxi from the station costs around NOK 100.

### Accommodation, reservation and fees

You will find detailed information and an application form for participants on a separate leaflet enclosed with this program.

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## Living on the edge

### Jens Bjørneboe and the problem of evil

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