

# The Buzz



Daniel Bagley  
Elementary

PTA unit  
6.15.40

## Bee Supportive

We've filled the hive with more than \$30,000 toward our \$85,000 overall goal, thanks to this fall's Chinook Book sales and the recent evergreen sales successes.

Here's an easy way to help us fill the hive. Just use our Amazon link when you're shopping this holiday season!

<http://www.amazon.com/?tag=danibageelem-20>

December, 2013



## The Buzz Newsletter Going Digital!

The Bagley Buzz is transitioning to a weekly digital newsletter over the next several months.

What will happen to the Buzz in the meantime? Until the transition is complete, the Buzz will continue to come out each Thursday, via the v-list. Paper copies will still be delivered to those families who opted into the paper Buzz at the beginning of the school year.

**How will I get the new digital Buzz?** The new Buzz will be delivered directly to your email inbox, not via the v-list. In the next weeks, there will be information about how to sign up for the digital Buzz. Our goal is to have every family sign up for the electronic newsletter. For those families who do not have regular access to email, paper copies will continue to be available.

**Why is the Buzz changing?** We believe this will be a greener, more cost effective option. This change will hopefully decrease the work for our hardworking Buzz Editor and loyal Clip n' Chat crew.

**Why is the Buzz changing now?** Allegra Printshop on Greenwood supported the Bagley PTA for many years, printing the Big Buzz at no cost. Allegra has moved to Magnolia and is no longer able to provide this service.

We are grateful for their many years of support and wish them the best of luck in their new location.

## PTA Presidents' Message

By Brooke Doyle and Amy Perez



Amy Perez & Brooke Doyle

During this season of giving and gratitude, we would like to thank all of you for your gifts of time, energy, creativity and financial support to Daniel Bagley. All of our community members, including Daniel Bagley students, families, teachers, and staff, are the beneficiaries of your contributions. You all are a generous group and we feel we have much to be grateful for.

We appreciate all the volunteers who contribute to make the Daniel Bagley community a vibrant place. This month, we would like to recognize and thank the parents, relatives and caregivers who volunteer to support teachers in the classrooms. These volunteers often help out on a weekly basis doing a variety of tasks, including working with small groups of students on an academic or artistic project, or helping teachers with specific classroom job. Each classroom has their own volunteers whom the teacher coordinates, and we appreciate what those volunteers add to our children's experience.

In addition, we would also like to recognize the PTA Classroom Liaisons who serve as a link between the teachers and the PTA. Thank you to Jamie Lynn Kimbrough, Shana Radtke, Kari Coglon Cantey, Danielle Slota, Stephanie Kang, Becca Serveld, Nadine Beebe, Rachel Haynes, Alice Mason, Cheryl Pomp King, Kathleen Kenny, Mary Lamb, Mary Janisch, Laural Miller-Klein, Hilary Patrick, Jen Guzman, Heather Schuman, Susan Palmer, Leslie Muto, and Regina Thornton.

Other parent volunteers have also been hard at work this past month. We would like to thank:

**Elizabeth Gay** for spearheading the Giving Circle that provides gifts and necessities for families in need at Bagley. The Giving Circle is another way that we work together to help one another. Thanks also to Rachel Haynes for helping to create the dazzling Giving Circle Bulletin Board.

**Heidi Witt** and **Lita Spratt** for surpassing the Chinook Books sales goal. Their efforts resulted in almost \$2,000 in earnings that directly supports students!

**Rebecca Warren** for wrangling the ever-growing Lost and Found area as well as the Nurse's Closet that contains children's clothes for those periodic emergencies.

**David Harris** for organizing the Bagley participants in the Seattle Kids Marathon. Thanks for helping our Bees stay motivated and moving!

Our school depends on the work of these and other volunteers, so when you see these parents, please join us in thanking them for their efforts. We will regularly be thanking our parent volunteers, so email one of us if you would like to see someone noted. As always, if you have any questions or comments, please e-mail us at [brookedoyle@yahoo.com](mailto:brookedoyle@yahoo.com) or [amecklen@gmail.com](mailto:amecklen@gmail.com).

Have a wonderful winter break!

## Principal's Letter

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Dear Daniel Bagley Elementary,

This last month flew by quickly! It is difficult to believe it is almost winter break! I have much to be thankful for this last month. We have had parent teacher conferences, field trips, Thanksgiving break, and many student writing celebrations! The air is filled with excitement each day as we move closer to winter break; the children are bursting with energy!



Principal Erika Ayer

This year we are again able to provide support during the holiday season to several of our families here at Daniel Bagley through the Giving Circle. I appreciate the generosity of our community. A special thank you to Elizabeth Gay for organizing the Giving Circle; without her work the Giving Circle would not be possible. In addition to the kindness of our community, Bethany Community Church has generously committed to provide gifts to half of requests made! We are very grateful, thank you!

At the end of this month our evening custodian, Phil Kapplehoff, will be retiring. I am very thankful of the work Phil does for the Daniel Bagley community. At our last community meeting several of the students shared their appreciation for Phil publicly. Thank you Phil, you will be missed!

Over the last several weeks I have been completing my formal observations of the teachers. Through this process I have seen fantastic instruction, caring and warm interactions between students and teachers, and high expectations for learning. It is such a joy as a principal to work with such wonderful teachers. I am thankful for all of the staff here at the school for their commitment, energy and expertise.

There is much to look forward to as we move into the next year: School tours begin in the end of January; we will be hosting a Math Night on January 30th; February and March we receive preliminary enrollment projections and budget; vocal and instrumental music concerts, and These are just a few of the exciting things to look forward to in 2014.

I would like to thank the entire Daniel Bagley community for helping to make this school a joyful place to be every day. I am so appreciative of all the volunteers, both on and behind the scenes; you do so much for our community and students, Thank you!

If I do not get to say so in person, please have a safe, happy and restful winter break!

Sincerely,  
Erika Ayer



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Send an email to:  
[Daniel-bagley-families@vlists.net](mailto:Daniel-bagley-families@vlists.net)

**Visit the Kindergarten Blog:**  
<http://www.bagleykindergarten.blogspot.com/>

**Visit the PTA Website**  
<http://www.danielbagleypta.org/>

**R**emember  
to check the lost  
and found!

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**Bagley Staff**

Erika Ayer	Principal
Melissa Ritter	Assistant Principal
Randi Olson	Secretary
Sari Habib	Assistant Secretary
Gina Sams	K/1 Teacher Contemporary
Julie Steele	
Barbara Stone	K/1 Teacher Montessori
Corrina Richards	
Robin Norton	
Liz Filep	1/2 Teacher-Contemporary
Penny Scordas	2/3 Teacher Contemporary
Ed Roos	
Mary Green	1/2/3 Teacher-Montessori
Connie Messom	
Marguerite Humphrey	2/3 Teacher-Montessori
Wendy Forselius	
Dirk Vonderlage	4 Teacher Montessori
Jennifer Outhouse	4/5 Teacher Contemporary
Brad Bauer	
Trudy Manley	
Pamela Stackhouse	4/5 Teacher Montessori
John Moore	
Cheryl Beisel	Computer/K-1 Teacher
Toni Bader	Health & Fitness Teacher
Emily Schaefer	Instrumental Music
Temple McNeer	Art Teacher
Rebecca Wynkoop	Librarian
Raylynn Hicks	Cafeteria Manager
Richard Marshall	MTSS
Bob Shreck	Custodian
Phi Kapplehoff	Night Custodian
Sheila Kohls	Nurse
Sharon Groves	Occupational Therapist
Steve Beaulieu	Paraprofessional
Allen Boni	
Sandra Miller	
Sharon Newman	
Elizabeth Reese	
Patricia Wolfram	
Sharon Worth	
Erika Walther	Psychologist
Jen McLuen	PT
Megan Bale	Resource Teacher
Robyn Middleton	
Stephanie Lai	Special Ed Teacher
Lisa Young	
Tina Nef	Speech Therapist

**Wanted: ASP Registrar**

The Bagley PTA is seeking a parent volunteer to become the Registrar for After-School Programs for 2014-15.

Marisa Taylor has served in this role for this last year and is ready to train a new parent this spring 2014. There is an excellent process intact and ready to be passed on to the next great volunteer. The Registrar teams with the ASP coordinator to keep our after school programs running smoothly.

More than 90% of the tasks can be done from home! The Registrar is busy for 2-3 weeks three times per school year, when the new ASP programs are rolling out. The person who takes this position needs to be able to use Microsoft Excel. The Registrar is responsible for the following:

- Work with Class Coordinator to determine pricing of classes prior to registration
- Receive and process all registration forms
- Run lotteries on over-subscribed classes, and cancels under-subscribed classes
- Coordinate scholarships with school principal and PTA president
- Communicate with parents and after-school instructors regarding any class changes
- Print and distribute confirmation letters
- Reserve class spaces officially with the district
- Print and distribute class lists
- Communicate with Bagley families about class issues (first class, early dismissal reminders, etc)
- Prepare the deposit for the Treasurer and follow up on payment issues
- Submit check requests for instructor fees

As parents at Bagley, we are extremely lucky to have such an enriching After-School Program. Let's work to continue this for the kids!

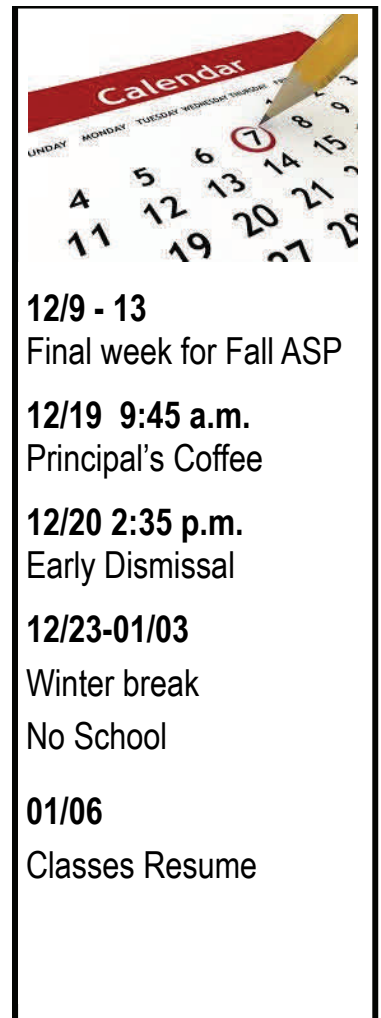
If you are interested in this role, please let me know!

Thanks,

Susan Palmer  
susanwant@hotmail.com

## Special Initiative Grants: Deadline Approaching!

The next deadline for grants from the PTA Special Initiatives Grant Fund is Tuesday, January 14th at 4pm. There will be only one more review cycle (in March) after this one. The application form can be found on the Daniel Bagley PTA website <http://www.danielbagleypta.org/pta/> and can be turned into the PTA closet or emailed to [bagleybee@hotmail.com](mailto:bagleybee@hotmail.com).



**12/9 - 13**  
Final week for Fall ASP

**12/19 9:45 a.m.**  
Principal's Coffee

**12/20 2:35 p.m.**  
Early Dismissal

**12/23-01/03**  
Winter break  
No School

**01/06**  
Classes Resume

## Giving Circle: Thank you!

By Elizabeth Gay

THANK YOU Bagley community for your Giving Circle generosity!

We brightened the season for 19 Bagley families with a total of 54 children. They are so appreciative of the support from our community and I offer you their gratitude.

Special thanks to the Bethany Church community for contributing so many gifts and gift cards to our Giving Circle. Bethany has been a wonderful neighbor to Daniel Bagley.

Thank you to the volunteers who helped wrap the gifts and to Rachel Haynes for the beautiful Giving Circle bulletin board.



## Bagley PTA Board

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