

JOGATHON PERMISSION SLIPS DUE NEXT TUESDAY, 9/27!

The countdown is on... only one more week before the 2011 Daniel Bagley Jogathon. On Friday, September 30th, Lower Woodland Track will host a swarm of Bagley Bees. The event kicks off at a relaxed and safe pace at 10:30am. Runners and walkers will complete their laps at 11:20am. We encourage family and friends to join the fun, cheer on all of our students and even run a lap or two.

The K-1 loop and the 2-5 loop courses are both on the artificial turf soccer field inside of the Lower Woodland Track. The two loops are the same size as last year. No one will be running around the dirt track! We wanted to keep the loops the same size for pledge money reasons especially!

Please be sure to return your child's permission slip to their teachers by September 27th. Your child must have a permission slip on file in order to go on the buses to Lower Woodland! If your child is unable to participate as a runner or walker, he or she can serve as a "student helper" during the Jogathon, as long as a permission slip is on file. Permission slips and pledge sheets can be downloaded at the Daniel Bagley website: www.danielbagley.com and found in Bagley's front hallway.

Continue gathering pledges! Pledges can be a flat donation or an amount per lap. New kindergarten parents beware: you will likely be amazed at how many laps your children can run when surrounded by the energy of the Jogathon and their friends. Funds raised during the event directly support programs the kids participate in each and every day such as Health and Fitness, the Library, Art, Music, classroom tutors and a lot more.

If you are interested in helping at the Jogathon, please return your volunteer form to your child's teacher. There will be things to do before, during and after the event.

Please feel free to contact Kristin Metcalf with any questions that you might have: kristinmetcalf@comcast.net



Family Directory Forms Due Tomorrow (9/23)!

We're distributing classroom proofs in Kid Mail next week, and if we don't have your form, you will miss being in the proof. Many of us use the Family Directory to arrange birthdays and playdates and just keep in touch. The proofs tide us over until the directory is published in October. Only families who send their contact information to us are listed. You can find a blank Family Information Form in the front hallway, or online at www.danielbagley.com/pta.htm. You can use the form for one-stop sign-up for the PTA, Yearbook and V-List. Just send it to school via Kid Mail. Questions? Contact us—your PTA Membership Chairs: Dan Cory, danpcory@msn.com, and Chris Potter, potter4bagley@igc.org.

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Principal Erika Ayer

Dear Daniel Bagley Community,

Wow! What a wonderful start to the school year! Thank you so much to our entire community for your efforts in starting the year off well. We have much to celebrate already and even more to look forward to as we move through the year.

The flag raising ceremony, while different from the past years, went really well. I would like to give a special thank you to Mr. Millsap for helping with the sound system. It was so wonderful to see so many families participate in that tradition.

I have really enjoyed meeting you and your children over the past few weeks. It is a delight to talk with the students in class, the lunchroom, outside, etc; I have learned many things everyday! Thank you to those who were able to attend the first Principal's Coffee on September 12th. I enjoyed the opportunity to talk about what is going on in the school as well as getting to know the parents better. The next coffee will be October 7th. Please bring your coffee/tea and join me for a chat!

On September 1st, the staff met for the first time this year. We had rich discussions, learned about each other and bonded as a team. We began a discussion around the Mission and Vision of Daniel Bagley Elementary School. Our school will be strongest when we have a school mission and vision statement that resonates with us, and which we can use to guide us. We are asking for community input as we move through the process of revising our mission and vision statement. We are asking our community to answer the following question: "What would I like in my neighborhood school?" Question slips will be available in your child's classroom or the main office. There's an answer box in the front hallway of the school, or you can send your statement back by kid mail. We'd like to hear from as many people as possible as we begin framing the revision process. Please submit by September 30th.

MAP testing will continue this year, however, students will test twice instead of three times. Kindergarten and new-to-the-district students will test in the fall (to gather baseline data) and spring while students in grades 1-5 will test in the winter and spring. I am working with the district's data coach to come in October or November for a MAP information evening. I hope you will be able to join us to learn more about how to read MAP scores, what they mean and how you can support your child.

Thank you for those who have volunteered this school year; we would not have had as smooth of a start without you. Please remember when visiting the school to check in with the main office. Please also remember that when parking we are respectful of our neighbors and do not block driveways or double park. Additionally, we have had a few incidents with visitors/families parking in the handicap spaces in our driveway. As a reminder, it is a violation of the Seattle Municipal Code to park in any of these spots, for any amount of time, without displaying a state-issued handicapped placard or license plate. It is also a violation to block these spots for any reason. We appreciate your efforts in ensuring we continue our strong relationship with the neighborhood.

Many of you are aware the paving project on 85th street will begin soon. In the spring of 2012 traffic from 85th street will be rerouted onto 80th creating potential issues for our school. There will be an information meeting on Monday, September 26th 5:00–8:00pm at the Greenwood Senior Center (525 N 85th St). The website for the project is: www.seattle.gov/transportation/pave_85th.htm

Three cheers for the Green Field! It was so exciting to see the progress over the summer and the continued work this school year. I truly appreciate the volunteers who have spent many, many hours shoveling, spreading mulch, pushing wheelbarrows, planning, etc. But don't worry... we still have many opportunities this fall to participate in work parties!

As a first year principal, September 7, 2011, the first day of school, is a memory I will hold close to my heart forever. I am so honored to be a part of the Daniel Bagley community.

Sincerely,
Erika Ayer, Principal
Daniel Bagley Elementary

Free Money Corner

Are you collecting your Greenwood & Ballard Market receipts, BoxTops for Education, and Labels for Education? The Free Money Kick-off Contest is on now! You have until Friday, October 7 to submit your Free Money entry for a chance to win a \$25 scrip card (one for the top earner, and one random draw).



Put your Greenwood & Ballard Market receipts, official Box Tops and Labels UPCs in an envelope—or tape Box Tops onto a collection sheet (available at <http://www.boxtops4education.com/learn/clip/Projects.aspx> or in the front hall) with your student's name and classroom, and return to your child's teacher or the box by the front door.

Then, keep collecting all year long for more chances to win, including prizes for top earning classrooms!

Scrip Tip of the Week:

Earn an extra 250 points towards your contest entry (just note it on your submission) for each of the following, done before October 7th:

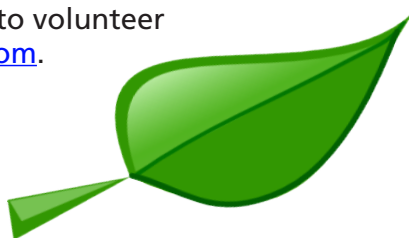
1. Register your Safeway, QFC and/or Fred Meyer cards online at eLabelsForEducation.com.
2. Renew for 2011/2012 or register your Safeway card with escrip.com (under My eScrip - register cards).



Harvest Hootenanny

Save the date! This year's Halloween celebration will take place on Saturday, October 29th, at 7pm. Come dressed in costume and dance the night away with your little goblins.

Looking for an outlet to use your creative side? Join the Harvest Hootenanny Planning Committee and be a part of this fantastic event! Please contact Danielle Slota to volunteer danielle.slota@gmail.com.



New Student Orientation Survey

If you have a new Bagley Bee this September, please take two minutes to fill out a short survey. Your student's experiences with transitioning to Bagley will help the PTA's hard-working volunteers improve next year's new student/new family orientation program.

Copies of the survey are available in the front lobby, or go to bagleykindergarten.blogspot.com to complete it online (the link is in the top post). For more information, email lexyrelph@gmail.com.

Garden Volunteers Needed!

The teachers need volunteer support to get their classrooms out into the garden. To help with lessons, contact your child's teacher.



Kari Coglon Cantey, PTA President

President's Message

I hope that you and your Bagley Bee have had a smooth transition over these first few weeks. I've had a chance to meet many new families, and we are so glad you are here.

This time of year can be overwhelming. We are inundated with forms to fill out, school bus schedules to learn, and new teachers to get to know. Things do settle down, and you will feel like an old pro before you know it. We are always working to improve the transition to Daniel Bagley for new families, so if you have feedback, please e-mail me while the experiences are still fresh (kcantey@msn.com).

Volunteer Thanks

Daniel Bagley is a wonderful community, in no small part because of our volunteer efforts. Special thanks to a number of volunteers for help with these events and projects during the first few weeks of school:

...The breakfast and lunch for Daniel Bagley staff before school started was a huge success, thanks to these folks: **Brooke Doyle, Donna Hill, Mary Lamb, Mary-Colleen Jenkins, Michiko Kono, Nancy Dahlberg, and Ursula Frank.**

...Our new families have been warmly welcomed through play dates, the Welcome Night picnic social, and the kindergarten blog (bagleykindergarten.blogspot.com), thanks to the efforts of **Lexy Relph.**

...The first day of school's Welcome Coffee ran smoothly, thanks to **Brooke Doyle, Cindy Potter, Debbie Woolsey, Debby Bacharach, Eben Greene, Elizabeth Gay, Erin Reid, Julia Bacharach, Kris Panton, Lise Kauffman, Mary Lamb, Mary Park, Michiko Kono, Nadine Beebe, Renee Boone, and Ursula Frank.** And big thanks to PCC's Green Lake store manager, **Jennifer Hellmann**, for putting the "coffee" in "Welcome Coffee."

...Kindergarteners were safely guided to their buses, thanks to **Lise Kauffman** and her team.

...You are receiving an informative newsletter each week thanks to Buzz editor **Heather Fuller.**

I hope you will want to be involved with this terrific group of parents. We are a diverse group with diverse ways to be involved. Simply fill out a PTA Volunteer Opportunities form to choose how you'd like to be involved. Find the form in the front hallway near the bulletin board or on the Web site:

www.danielbagley.com/pta_volunteering.htm. I'm most grateful to **Cindy Potter**, who maintains this form and coordinates our volunteer effort for "big" jobs. She helps everything run smoothly.

Celebrating Green

I hope you had the chance to attend the September 17 celebration of the re-opening of the school garden and the grand opening of the Green Field Project. Our outdoor space has been transformed, thanks to the Green Field Project team, led by **Brent Chastain, Farhad Hyder, and Kevin Huber**, as well as **Monica Oxford**, who wrote the matching grant; and the Bees in the Garden committee, led by co-chairs, **Andrea Huber, Barb McKague, and Trudy Tessaro**, as well as teacher **Marguerite Humphrey**. I don't think there are enough ways to say thank you to these amazingly dedicated volunteers for all that they have done for our school community.

FUNdraisers

We have some fun events coming up, including one of our major FUNdraisers, the Jogathon, scheduled for September 30 at Lower Woodland Track. Your child should have brought home information via Kid Mail, but if not, you can find it on the Web site: www.danielbagley.com. The Jogathon is an incredibly fun event that the students love. Come cheer on your child, do some laps yourself or volunteer to help.

Questions?

As always, if you have any questions or comments, please e-mail me at kcantey@msn.com.

What is Free Money?

If you buy groceries, clothes, household goods, toys, or pretty much anything, you can EASILY earn money for our school for FREE! Take a look at the list below and see all the ways you can contribute. Choose your favorites, or try them all!

Every little bit helps. A few receipts from each family can add up to thousands of dollars each year for Bagley. With all the budget cuts, we need every penny we can get to fund our school programs, including salaries and supplies for art, music, health and fitness, library, tutors, and much more.

Ways you can contribute:	The details:
Scrip cards	Buy prepaid cards for hundreds of stores (Amazon, Safeway, QFC, Fred Meyer, Children's Place, Starbucks, and many more).
PCC card	Use a reloadable PCC scrip card every time you shop.
Safeway	Register your Safeway card through eScrip.com (under MyEscrip) to earn money every time you shop.
	Register your Safeway card through eLabelsForEducation.com to earn points every time you shop.
	Shop at Safeway during 10% back to school events.
Ballard and Greenwood Markets	Keep your receipts – put them in the bin by the front doors (in an envelope labeled with your student's name and teacher).
QFC and Fred Meyer	Register your QFC and Fred Meyer cards through eLabelsForEducation.com to earn points every time you shop.
Online shopping—several options to earn free money every time you shop (Amazon, Target, Children's Place, Nike, Gap, REI, Shutterfly, Old Navy, and hundreds of your favorites)	Go to eScrip.com first, then click on the merchant's weblink—more than 1000 online stores.
	Go to SchoolMall.com first, then click on your merchant's weblink—hundreds of stores, and your student can win prizes.
	Go to boxtops4education.com first, then click on your merchant's weblink—hundreds of stores.
Box Tops for Education	Check your groceries for Box Tops, clip them, and put them in the Free Money bin (either in an envelope or Ziploc, or taped to a Box Tops collection page, labeled with your student's name and teacher). Retailers include: Cheerios, Betty Crocker, Kleenex, Bisquick, Pillsbury, Yoplait, Cascadian Farm, and many more.
	Check grocery receipts for BONUS Box Tops.
Labels for Education	Check your Campbell's soup, Goldfish crackers, cereal boxes and other products for Labels for Education. Clip the labels (include the UPC) and put them in the Free Money bin in an envelope or Ziploc labeled with your student's name and teacher.
	Check grocery receipts for BONUS Labels for Education.
Empty Ink Cartridges	Put old cartridges in the marked collection bin. The big cylindrical ones with orange ends are NOT accepted.
Recycled Energy Bar Wrappers	Deposit clean, foil-lined snack and energy bar wrappers in marked collection bin. No candy bar wrappers.
Recycled Juice Pouches	Deposit empty Capri Sun and Honest Kids juice pouches in marked collection bin.

Receipts, Labels for Education and Box Tops for Education can all be sent to school through Kid Mail. *Please DO NOT send juice pouches, foil wrappers or printer cartridges through Kid Mail.* For more information, check the website: <http://www.danielbagley.com/free-money.htm>

Calendar

Sep 24 - 10am Green Field Work Party

Sep 25 - 1pm Green Field Work Party

Sep 28 - **Two Hour Early Dismissal**

Sep 30 - 10:30am Jogathon
(Lower Woodland Track)

Oct 5 - International Walk to School Day

Oct 5,6,7 - 5th Grade Camp
(Warm Beach)

Oct 7 - Principal's Coffee 9:45am
(Library)

Oct 8 - 10am Green Field Work Party

Oct 9 - 1pm Green Field Work Party

Oct 11 - 6:30pm PTA Meeting (Cafeteria)

Oct 14 - **No School**

Oct 15 - 10am Green Field Work Party

Oct 16 - 1pm Green Field Work Party

For the full calendar visit
www.danielbagley.com/happening_calendar.htm

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We're launching our Chinook Book fundraiser TODAY to raise money for the Daniel Bagley PTA.

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Our goal is to beat last year's sales and sell over 120 books. In order to do that, we are asking each family to buy or sell at least one book and/or mobile pack. For those of you who have family and friends that might be interested, we would like you to take 3 to 5 books and/or coupon packs to sell by the end of November. Email us at addresses below if you are willing to help.

Remember, Chinook Book has something for everyone! Save money and support our community with Chinook Book, all the while helping us reach our fundraiser goal! They also make terrific gifts!

We hope to meet our goal by November 10th this year to beat the holiday bustle. To make your purchase, please contact Heidi Witt or Lita Spratt at hawitt@tribune.com or litaspratt@comcast.net, or simply pick one up at the next school event or PTA meeting. You can also reach us at 206-326-8600 or 206-527-3473.

Notes from the Office

As school gets under way we have a few things to bring to the school community's attention to make it safer for our students before school:

Supervision for students begins at 9:00am. If you arrive to drop off your students before that time, please stay on the playground with them until you see a staff member with an orange safety vest come out to supervise.

Students should not be in the school building before the 9:25 bell unless they are going to breakfast in the cafeteria. Staff members are working to get ready for the day and no one is able to supervise children at that time. Please have your children put their backpacks and other items in their class lines on the playground.

Parents, please do not park in the front of the school between 9:00 and 9:30am. This is the drop off area for the school buses. They are not able to safely drop off students if there are cars parked there.

Thank you for your attention to these matters.

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