



### Calling Daniel Bagley Gardeners!

Andrea Huber is planning the next Daniel Bagley garden work party and you and your children and welcome to join in!

**When?** This Saturday, April 18th

**Time?** 10am to 2pm (*come anytime during these hours you are able*)

**Where?** Daniel Bagley Playground

We will be weeding the planting beds and planting some beautiful new plants. Kids are welcome. Bring your own gloves. Some tools will be provided, but if you can bring some of your own tools, we will definitely have enough to go around.

Please RSVP to

[andreadahuber@yahoo.com](mailto:andreadahuber@yahoo.com)

so she can get an idea of how many will attend. Let's make Bagley beautiful!



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### Bagley PTA 2009 Survey is ready for you!

Remember that fantastic video about PTA funding at the Luau Party? This is what the survey is all about -- the library books, art supplies, health and fitness equipment and many, many other contributions to the day to day at Bagley Elementary.

Here's how PTA Budget Process works. The PTA Budget Committee is tasked with proposing the PTA budget for next school year, 2009-2010. As a starting point, we'd like to get a sense of your priorities about this year's allocations as a guide going forward. Once we have the survey results and have a chance to understand the community's priorities, we will create a budget and present it to the PTA members. Then PTA Members will vote on the proposal during the business meeting at the Art Walk on June 3rd.

The survey is online -- look for a link on the Daniel Bagley V-List. If you are not on the V-List email me and I'll send you a link, or if you'd prefer a printed copy, we can easily get one to you.

**We need your survey by next Thursday, April 23rd.** That's a week from today!

Questions to Kelly Powers ([kellystp@comcast.net](mailto:kellystp@comcast.net)) and the DB PTA Budget Committee.

Thanks!



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Dear Daniel Bagley Families,

I hope that you each had time to enjoy your families during the week of March 29-April 3<sup>rd</sup>. I had the opportunity to spend a few days in Texas, where my father lives, to enjoy the sunshine, relax and read. I am always surprised, however, that once spring break ends how quickly the school year seems to go. A few students have "reported" to me how many school days we have left—this makes me worry—we have still have so much to accomplish!

During the week of April 20<sup>th</sup>, Daniel Bagley 3-5<sup>th</sup> grade students will be taking the Washington Assessment of Student Learning test. I sent a letter home with the 4/9/09 Baby Buzz describing the test, how it is given and tried to answer any questions you may have regarding the test. Students will test in the mornings and then resume their daily schedules in the afternoon. Students in grades K-2 will continue on with their usual routines.

We have been hard at work this week getting back into the "swing" of school. Students may be a bit tired—they are working hard each day. Fortunately, now that the school budget is submitted I am in classrooms each and every day again. The level of engagement I see each day reminds me why we do the work we do here at Daniel Bagley—helping students learn, challenge themselves as thinkers and guide them to develop their fullest human potential. It is a gift that I am able to witness this so often. Thank you for sending your children to Daniel Bagley.

A few "Nuts and Bolts" as we settle in to April.

### Start Times for 09/10:

Recently I have been in communication with the Transportation Department regarding a bus schedule for next year. The Building Leadership Team has discussed a "potential" schedule for 2009/2010 and it looks like our first choice is the following:

**(Please know that this is not a "final" time, but an idea of what we are proposing. As soon as I get the "okay" from the Central Office, I will have it posted on the website and sent out via the V-List. Thank you for your patience.)**

9:00-Recess supervision begins/Breakfast open

9:20-First bell rings

9:25-Students in seats, ready for learning

3:30-Dismissal

3:35/40-Busses arrive, departure

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### **Trainers from Teacher's College/Columbia University @ Daniel Bagley on 4/17!**

Exciting news for DB! Coaches from TC will be spending the day at our school along with Literacy Coaches from the Seattle School District. Two of our teachers will be opening their classrooms for demonstrations/teaching lab sites (1 Contemporary and 1 Montessori) and visitors will be conducting Learning Walks throughout our building that day. I am very excited to show off all of the hard work your children have done this year with their writing. Currently, students have been working on the following Units of Study (Lucy Calkins):

K/1: Authors as Mentors

2/3, 1/2/3: How to Write "How To" books

4/5, 3/4/5: Essay writing for an exams, followed by Memoir

The student work in the hallway will change soon to reflect this work—please be sure to ask your student about his or her writing and what "learning" is occurring. I have been amazed to hear very young children tell me the difference between revision and editing, how to use a "come back line" and why reading "Mentor Texts" can help one to become a better writer.

### **Class Placement 2009/2010**

Sometime in May you will receive a letter from me (via kid mail) explaining the Daniel Bagley process for class placement. A lot of you who have been here over the years know that the DB staff labor over making the best possible decisions for each child when it comes to classroom placement. There are many, many factors we consider. This letter will hopefully clear up any questions you may have about the process as well as give you the opportunity to send in some feedback about your child's learning style should you choose to do so.

### **Art Walk 2009**

Be sure to mark your calendars for Wednesday June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 for the DB Art Walk. Come and enjoy a potluck (please bring a dish to share), see student work and enjoy a performance by our instrumental musicians! This is a wonderful opportunity to socialize with your friends at DB.

### **Commencement 2009-5<sup>th</sup> grade students**

5<sup>th</sup> Grade students will be "commencing" on Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 pm in the Daniel Bagley cafeteria. If you are a 4<sup>th</sup> grade parent who would be willing to help with this event, please contact Lynne Baratto (lbaratto@comcast.net).

Finally, I wanted to share a "small moment" I had a couple of weeks ago with a student. The student had spilled milk on her shoe and sock and needed to change. She was sent to her locker to take care of it and on the way to the locker she saw me and asked if I would accompany her down the hallway. I agreed, and as we walked hand in hand she looked up and replied, "Wow, Ms. Kinzer, you are like a princess. Do you know why?" "No, I don't" I said. "Well, she said, "When princesses walk down a hallway the crowds "part" and there is a clear pathway. When principals walk down the hallway, people *move* and there is a clear path. I like walking with you down the hallway." Wow. It made my day.

Thank you for all that you do for Daniel Bagley Elementary School. The staff appreciates all that you do for us each and every day.

- Respectfully, Kimberly Kinzer, Principal

## CALENDAR

Apr 18 (Sat) Garden Work Party 10am-2pm  
Apr 20-May 1 WASL testing  
May 4-8 Staff Appreciation Week  
May 5 (Tu) PTA meeting\* 6:30-8:00pm -  
guest SPS Board Member  
Sherry Carr  
May 20 (Weds) Early Dismissal - 1 pm  
May 25 (Mon) Memorial Day - no school  
May 30 (Sat) School Rummage Sale  
June 2 (Tu) PTA meeting\* 6:30-8pm  
June 3 (Wed) Art Walk - 5:30-7:30pm  
June 5 (Fri) All School Mariners Game  
(tickets on sale)  
June 12 ( Fri) Fitness Day (formally Field  
Day)  
June 18 (Th) 5th Grade Commencement 1-  
3pm  
June 19 (Fri) Last student day; 1 hour early  
dismissal

\*PTA provides free child care through the Boys & Girls Club with advanced reservations. Contact Danielle Holmberg, at daniellemacy@comcast.net on the Friday before the scheduled date.

Note: There are a minimum number of 2 advanced reservations in order for the PTA to offer free child care for any event. You will be notified in the event that there is no child care provided. Children must be at least 5 years old to attend.

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Did you know...that the Daniel Bagley PTA Giving Campaign is still in full swing? Here is how you can help your child get the best education possible at school.

\$1,000 pays for supplies for 2 classrooms

\$500 pays for 1 week of vocal music instruction

\$250 pays for 12 new library books

\$100 pays for a scholarship to 5<sup>th</sup> grade camp

\$50 pays for 16 new jump ropes



Thank you in advance for your generous support. After all, it's all about what's best for your child. For questions, contact corynick@hotmail.com or bevans@watermarkcu.org

We may have missed you at the Luau Kickoff! If you would like to contribute to the PTA's Giving Campaign, please return this form - along with your donation - to the school office or snail mail to: 7821 Stone Avenue North, Seattle, WA 98103 ATTN: Giving Campaign. Attached is my check, made payable to DBE PTA, for:

\$1,000 \$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name & Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

If you don't feel you can write a check at this time - or if you'd rather provide smaller monthly installments, all year long - that's terrific. Simply log on to [www.networkforgood.com](http://www.networkforgood.com) and search for "Bagley" and set up an account. It's that easy. Daniel Bagley Elementary PTA is a 501(c) 3 Organization Tax ID 91-1283709.

### New Improved House Rules (with examples!)

(courtesy Paul Beard)

- If you filled it or see that it's full, empty it (trash cans, laundry baskets, recycling bin).
- If you emptied it or find it empty, fill it (sugar bowl, TP, juice).
- If it's dirty, clean it (bathroom sink, mirror).
- If it's clean, put it away (your laundry).
- If you used the last one, write it down so we can get more.
- If you used it and are done, put it away.
- If you borrowed it and are done, put it back.
- If something is out of place, put it away.
- If you need someone to do something for you, find out what you can do for them so they can have time to help you.

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