Welcome to the Bagley Library! Our theme for the year is “Quo Vadimus,” which means, “where are we going?” We will spend the year exploring where literature and our use of information take us as we journey through life as explorers.

As the librarian at Bagley my primary goal is to ensure that all Bagley students are able to find reading material that they are excited about and to support each student as they develop and then maintain an active and engaging reading life. In order to accomplish this, the Library provides access to literature and information in multiple formats and at age appropriate levels that support and challenge all our students.

**Books and reading**

We have about 10,000 books in the library. Students can check out up to 5 books at a time, and keep them for up to two weeks (or longer if need be). I usually start primary students with one or two books a week. Using the library regularly helps students, under the guidance of the librarian, build independence when selecting reading material they love.

**Research**

For research, we follow the Big6 research skills process. More information on this process is available at: [http://big6.com/pages/about/big6-skills-overview.php](http://big6.com/pages/about/big6-skills-overview.php).

Seattle Schools offers a number of databases that your child can access from home. These include encyclopedias, research databases and literature-based sites including Tumblebooks, which reads and animates picture books for children. The sites can be accessed from main Bagley site (http://bagleyes.seattleschools.org/) by clicking on “Library.” The username is: studentsps and the password is: access.

**Book exchange**

By the big windows, in the hallway outside the library, is a book exchange. Books there are free for any student to take. If you have children’s books that need new homes, please send them in. It helps support our community of readers!

**My schedule & Volunteers needed!**

I will be in the Library on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Multiple volunteers are needed at the start of school (M, W, Th) to help check in and shelve books. Please send me a quick e-mail rlwynkoop@seattleschools.org if you are able to help or call 206.252.5110.

I am so excited to begin the school year and share my love of libraries with the Bagley Community.

Rebecca Wynkoop

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*Where did you read this summer?* Draw a picture or write down your favorite place to read and bring it to your classroom teacher to be entered to win 1 of 2 custom designed reading pillows. Drawing will be held on Monday, 9/17.

Name: ____________________________  Teacher: ____________________________