Here are our afternoon and evening schedules for the new year. We hope to see lots of you around school this year, and if you have any ideas for new activities or courses please do call us. We are always looking for ways to make the Community Schools program responsive to the Agassiz Community.

### AFTERTOMNS

**MONDAY**
- Gym Hockey 2:30-4:00
  - grades 2-6
- Creative Movement 3:30-5:00
  - grades K-6
- Board Games/Quiet Time
  - in Library 2:30-5:00

**TUESDAY**
- Gymnastics K-3 2:30-3:30
  - 4-8 3:30-5:00
- Art Projects 2:30-5:00
  - in Art Room
- Drop-In 2:30-5:00
  - in Community Schools Room
- Board Games/Quiet Time
  - in Library 2:30-5:00

**WEDNESDAY**
- Open Gym 2:30-5:00
- Art Projects 2:30-5:00
  - in Art Room
- Drop-In/Science Projects
  - in Community School Room
  - 2:30-5:00
- Board Games/Quiet Time
  - in Library 2:30-5:00

**THURSDAY**
- Gym Hockey 2:45-3:30
- Ballet 2-4 3:30-4:15
  - 5-8 4:15-5:00
  - in Gym
- Drop-In 3:30-5:00
  - in Community Schools Room
- Pottery 2:30-4:30
  - in Art Room

**THURSDAY (cont.)**
- Board Games/Quiet Time
  - in Library 2:30-5:00

**FRIDAY**
- Small Group Trips
  - 2:30-5:00
- Open Gym 2:30-4:00
- Board Games/Quiet Time
  - in Library 2:30-4:00

### Additional Information:

**Creative Movement** - helps to develop coordination and confidence through dance, music, and games. Class will be held in a smaller, more comfortable location during the winter term (at the Ananda Marga House, 63 Wendell St.).

**Ballet** - class size will be limited to 10 in each class. The lower age limit for new students is seven. Those under seven are encouraged to join the Creative Movement class. Cost $10.00/four classes.

**Small Group Trips** - groups of 5 to 7 children with an adult take public transportation to a variety of events, museums, factories, etc. around the city. Cost is $20 per transportation. Sign up on Mondays in the library.

**EVENING SCHEDULE ON PAGE 2**
**MONDAY**

Gym Hockey 6:30-7:30

Adult Exercises 7:30-8:30 in Gym (We need more of you, do more of you need exercise?)

Stained Glass 7:30-9:00 in Art Room

**TUESDAY**

Gym Hockey 6:30-7:30

Teen Basketball 7:30-9:00

Piano 6:00-7:00 in Kdg. Room

Guitar I 7:00-8:00

Guitar II 8:00-9:00

**WEDNESDAY**

Adult Exercises 7:00-8:00

Stained Glass 7:30-9:00 in Art Room

**THURSDAY**

Adult Volleyball 7:00-10:00

Leathercraft 7:00-9:00

Clayworks 7:00-9:00

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**JANUARY MEETINGS**

Agassiz Community Council Meeting - Jan. 8th 8:00 p.m. in Library

PTA Meeting - Thursday, Jan. 16th - 8:00 p.m. in library

Agassiz Community Children's School Meeting - Jan. 20th 7:45 p.m. at the North Congregational Church.

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**BABYSITTING**

While not much happened in responses to the ideas about co-operative babysitting which appeared in last month's Whistler, we still receive many, many calls from individuals looking for babysitters (usually on short notice). So - as a start - anyone who is thirteen or over and interested in babysitting for children in the community, please call Julie Snow and put your name in our babysitting file. You may drum up some new business for yourself, and we can have a better supply of names ready for people who call. Thanks.

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**VOLUNTEERS!**

If you can volunteer time during the afternoon programs, we really need the help (especially in the art room and the gym). Please call or drop by if you're interested.

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**SNOW SHOVELERS!**

Mrs. Donald Moreland, 10 Frost Street, would like some help with shoveling snow this winter. If you are interested and might like to do this for her regularly, please call her right up. Thanks. (354-7739)
Money is important. How many great ideas have there been at Agassiz, that never became reality because of lack of funds? We all know how lack of petty cash hampers our teachers. At the next PTA general meeting, Thursday, January 16th at 8:00 p.m. in the school library, we will be talking about money with Oliver Brown, the School Department's Assistant Superintendent for Business Management Services (read $). Mr. Brown is the Department official who works with the School Committee to reach a final budget. At the PTA meeting, Mrs. Cox will discuss the budget she is submitting to the School Department this month.

I see our meetings with School Department officials opening up important channels of communication. It's much easier to accomplish things when they know us and our needs, and we have some understanding of them. When the problem of obtaining space for the reading tutors seemed at an impasse, a call to Dr. McCarthy (who attended our Nov. meeting) got things moving again. I've just spoken with Assistant Superintendent Woodward (who met with us in Dec.) about this situation. He felt it was reasonable to assure us that Ms. Parsons' current office would be available for occupancy by reading tutors by the end of January. Assistant Superintendent Brown in responsible for the construction of Ms. Parsons' new space, so it won't hurt to underline our concern when we meet with him on Jan. 16th.

There are three committees meeting outside the regular monthly PTA meetings:

Fund-raising - to get $ needed right now for petty cash and teacher workshops. If you're interested in helping, call Marilyn Sullivan: 868-5947.

Landscaping - to develop a plan for Agassiz's outside: plants, equipment, etc. Sound interesting? Call Jim Herold: 864-0972.

Planning - to grapple with the important questions surrounding Agassiz's lack of space. Should we be K through 6 or K through 8? Should the emotionally disturbed class be moved? Community Schools? How can we make more small private spaces for tutoring? Can Agassiz expand physically? Could we build on top of the gym? We'd like your opinions, even if you can't participate in meetings. Let me know what you think. Ginny: 354-4097

Other important upcoming meetings:

Mrs. Spero's class - Jan. 7th, 8:00 p.m. at the school, to talk about the academically talented program for which 5th graders will be tested in the spring (with parental consent).

Mrs. Jones' class - Jan. 9th, 8:00 p.m. at the school.

G. MacLean

NOTICE: MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY is Wednesday, January 15th. The school will be closed all day.
Over six million dollars of federal funds is coming into Cambridge in 1975 as Revenue Sharing money. Use of this money is decided by the local government provided it sets up some means of citizen participation. Many citizens in Cambridge are demanding more than the nominal "advisory" committee which is being set up by the City Manager. At the first "citizen participation" meeting held by the city (Nov. 12th), invited representatives unanimously demanded an election process to provide more representative and powerful citizen participation. This message was conveyed to the City Manager, who refused in any way to consider holding an election; and who is going ahead, despite dwindling participation, with his meetings.

We, the Citizen Participation Structure Committee (elected at the April 6th, city-wide Revenue Sharing Convention), have been working since April to develop a structure for real, effective citizen participation in the use of this money. We have come up with an ordinance which provides for a Revenue Sharing Committee. This committee would be elected by neighborhoods with special representatives for minorities (elderly, Blacks, Spanish speaking, Portuguese). The representatives would be responsible to elected neighborhood and minority councils. The committee would advise and consult with the City Manager regarding neighborhood needs and, more importantly, its consent would be necessary in all decisions concerning the use of the money.

This ordinance was presented to the Ordinance Committee of the City Council in early November. Discussion was held, but no vote has as yet been taken. Citizen support is needed to convince city councillors to vote for this ordinance. If you want more control over the uses of this money, call or write city councillors to express support for the spirit of this ordinance. For copies of the ordinance or any other information, contact neighborhood representatives: Steve Diamond at 491-1366 or Maureen Dea at 491-1775.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR !!