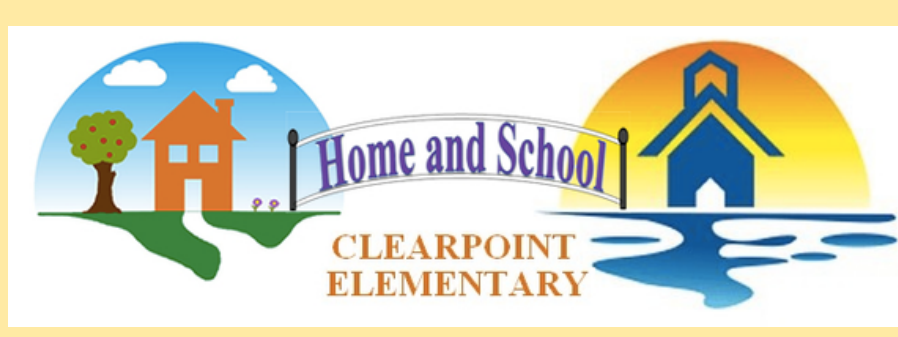


SEPTEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER



Welcome back Clearpoint families! We hope you had a great summer and are ready for fun year ahead. The first month of school is always a busy one. Read below for important dates to make sure you don't miss out on all we have planned.

DATES/EVENTS COMING UP SOON



Sept 19, 2023, 6:30-8pm **Home and School's Wine and Cheese**

Find out what Home and School is all about! Plus, free wine and cheese.

Sept 21, 2023 **Terry Fox Run**

Home and School will be there to provide healthy snacks for our runners.

[Click here to register now](#)

Sept 21, 2023, 5:30-7:30pm **Welcome Back Corn Roast**

Come and enjoy the last days of summer with your family and the Clearpoint community.

[Click here to RSVP](#) by Sept 14

TUES OCT 3, 2023, 6:30PM **Media Literacy Webinar for Parents: "How Can I Help My Kids Stay Safe Online?"**

The Clearpoint Home & School Association has partnered with Media Smarts to offer a FREE online workshop to give parents tips on managing kids' screen time, how to keep your kids safe online, and the importance of setting household internet rules. Registration details coming soon!

OCT 23-27, 2023 **Media Literacy Week**

The internet is part of our kids' lives whether we like it or not. Let's learn how to navigate it in a healthy way.

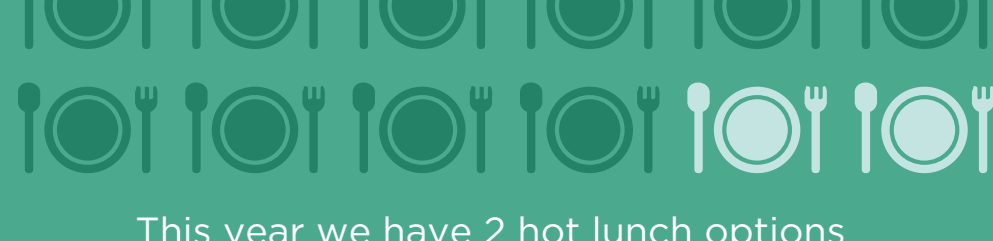
OCT 27, 2023 **Halloween Dance**

6-7:15pm: k4 - grade 2

7:30-9pm: grades 3-6

- 1 parent per child may come.
- Wear a costume (no full face masks or weapons allowed).
- More details to come on our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages.

HOT LUNCH SIGN UP



This year we have 2 hot lunch options rotating every Tuesday.

Registration closes Oct 4th at 9pm, [CLICK HERE](#)

PIZZA

What: Domino's pizza

When: Every 2nd Tuesday, starting October 10th

How many: 18 pizza lunches spanning the entire 2023/2024 school year

Cost: \$6 per pizza lunch. Total \$108.

Buy: [Click here](#) to register before Oct 4th at 9pm

All pizza dates for the year:

Oct 10th	Feb 20th
Oct 24th	Mar 12th
Nov 7th	Mar 26th
Nov 21st	Apr 9th
Dec 5th	Apr 23rd
Dec 19th	May 7th
Jan 9th	May 21st
Jan 23rd	June 4th
Feb 6th	June 18th

PASTA NEW!

What: Penne with tomato sauce and a bun, catered by Villa Toscana. *Gluten-free option is available*

When: Every 2nd Tuesday, rotating with pizza lunch.

How many: This is for 2 lunches in the month of October ONLY as a trial: **Tuesday, October 17th and Tuesday, October 31st only.** *More info to come to register for the rest of the school year.*

Cost: \$6 per pasta lunch. Total \$12.

Buy: [Click here](#) to register before Oct 4th at 9pm.

WHERE DOES THE FUNDRAISING MONEY GO?

When you buy hot lunch, fall veggie baskets or lunch activities, you are also supporting your Clearpoint community. All profits go to the Home & School Association to give back to the students and school. But what exactly are we spending it on?

- **Providing coffee hour** for the wonderful staff on a monthly basis
- **Large projects** to improve the school for students and staff:
 - This year, one of our big goals is to raise enough to build an **outdoor play structure** that's specifically for the K4 and K5 kids.
 - **STEM programming** for older grades.

LUNCH ACTIVITIES: (registration details coming soon)

Monday: **Cabaret Kids**

Grades 3-6
Intro to drama, improv etc.
Cost: \$130

Monday: **Yoga**

Grades 3-6
Led by Vina Sidhu
Cost: \$80

Tuesday: **Junior Jams**

Grades 1-4
Hip hop dance class
Cost: \$150

Wednesday: **Karate Sportif**

Grades 1-6
Learn karate & self-confidence
Cost: \$190

Thursday: **Mad Science Junior Engineers**

Grades 1-6
Kitchen chemistry, weather & more
Cost: \$164.50

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: 10-WEEK SESSION (registration details coming soon)

Cabaret Kids

- Wednesdays, 2:30- 4:30pm
- Grades 3-6
- The kids will work on a play for 10 weeks with a final show in early Dec.
- **Cost: \$332**

KidCoders

- Day and time TBD
- Grades 3-6
- A coding program run by Nemesis Coding Academy
- **Cost: 400\$**

OUR ONGOING FUNDRAISERS

We've partnered with several companies who sell products we think our Clearpoint community will love. A percentage of sales will go back to the Home and School Committee to use toward events and initiatives for our school community.

TruEarth

These eco-friendly laundry detergent strips are plastic-free and zero waste! Order online through our link and 20% of all purchases get remitted back to Clearpoint Home & School. It's that easy to support your school and the environment!

It's a WIN-WIN-WIN.

[Click here to shop!](#)

Mabel's Labels

Cute and functional labels to keep your kids, yourself, your home or office organized. Order online through our link and 20% of your purchase price gets remitted to Home & School.

[Click here to shop!](#)

Then search for and select:

Clearpoint Elementary School (Pointe Claire)

BECOME A MEMBER OF CLEARPOINT'S HOME & SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FAQ :

How do I become a member?

[Click here](#) to become a member today!

What's the time commitment like?

Give as much or as little of your time. There is no set amount of volunteering. We appreciate any time that can be given.

What does volunteering involve?

We rely on volunteers to help with events and initiatives. For example:

- We always need volunteers to help distribute pizza lunch for 1h30 once every two weeks.
- Whenever an event is coming up, we will share a digital sign up sheet with blocks of time that need to be filled for a variety of roles such as concession stands, entry to an event, floater as well as help setting up and tearing down the event.
- There are ways to be more involved if that interests you, such as leading event planning or helping with a part of the planning.

What does it cost?

It costs \$20 to become a member for the school year. When you pay online, there is an optional \$0.92 added to cover the transaction fees for online transactions. This annual fee is used to cover the insurance and to indicate you are a member in good standing for our provincial QFHSA.

What's the purpose of Home and School?

We are here to support our school community with activities and fundraisers to make sure our children have the best possible experience in their elementary years.

This is also an opportunity for you to have a say in your child's learning environment:

- Be one of the first to get important information
- Bring your concerns to the table and help be a part of the solution
- Become a voting member of the team
- Help decide which events, activities and fundraisers move forward (or not)
- Decide how to spend funds

CLEARPOINT TESTIMONIALS ON BACK TO SCHOOL



"I think Clearpoint is great because it's full of nice people and nice teachers. I'm looking forward to learning math and reading in Grade 1. My favourite part of Clearpoint is all the friends people make."

- Sebastian Vignali, Grade 1

"As summer sadly draws to an end, we eagerly embark on a new academic school year ready to welcome our new students. I believe I can speak on behalf of all my colleagues at Clearpoint that we are filled with a mixture of both excitement and anticipation as we prepare to greet the new faces in the school yard that will soon become a part of our classroom family. Teaching a new year represents an opportunity to make a meaningful impact on the lives of our students, building relationships, and making lasting memories. I am grateful for the privilege to do so each year.



Je souhaite à tous mes collègues une excellente année scolaire remplie de découvertes et beaux souvenirs avec nos élèves. Bonne rentrée à tous!"

- Mme Frances (3ème année)