



LE PHARE

School Council

SEPTEMBER 2011

Your voice through **VOLUNTEER** parents and teachers

More about us at: www.lephareschool.ca
Contact us at: info@lephareschool.ca; or volunteer@lephareschool.ca
or feedback@lephare.ca (we want to hear from you)

September Council Events

***Sept 6-30— Volunteer sign-ups —**
Get involved! On back of this newsletter is a sign-up sheet with the major Council events of the school year and examples of where we would welcome your help. Even an hour of your time makes a difference. Also, we're collecting email addresses so we can send you newsletters—sign up using the back of this newsletter or at www.lephareschool.ca by clicking the enews icon.

We want to hear from you and we want you to hear from us!

***Sept 16 —Apple Day—**Council provides each student with an apple from a local orchard

***Sept 27, 7-9pm —Council meeting** At Le Phare library, vote to elect executive, establish voting members, adopt the budget, shape our events calendar and sign up for a committee. Come see what Council is all about and consider joining. We're always looking for new members, volunteers and your thoughts on what you'd like to see Council accomplish this year.

October Council Events

(mark these in your calendar - we'll provide more details next month)

Oct 13 — Fall Festival
-at Le Phare, 5-8pm

Oct 18 — Council Meeting
-at Le Phare, 7-9pm

Things to Remember...

Fundraiser—go to www.lephare.mabel.ca for our ongoing Mabel's labels fundraiser. Timing couldn't be better with school just starting. Avoid digging in the lost and found box by putting famous 'will-not-fall-off' Mabel's labels on all your child(ren)'s school items!

WHAT DOES COUNCIL DO?

We organize activities that you can have a role in dreaming up, coordinating or running. Join us!

Last year we enriched Le Phare by giving the school more than **\$8200**, for events like:

- \$2000—Scientists in school
- \$ 500—monthly nutrition program
- \$4000—teachers' wish lists
- \$1700—Festival of Lights and the Summer Picnic



YAHOO!!!

RON REMILLARD
(Dad of Jazmine in Gd. 1)

SIM AGGERWAL
(Mom of Sachin & Selena in Gd. 3)

For organizing efforts that went above and beyond at our end-of-year picnic last June!!

volunteers of the month

Enriching LE PHARE one volunteer at a time!



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Council relies entirely on volunteers! Please let us know when you can help—there are opportunities to fit all life styles and schedules. One hour of your time makes a big difference.

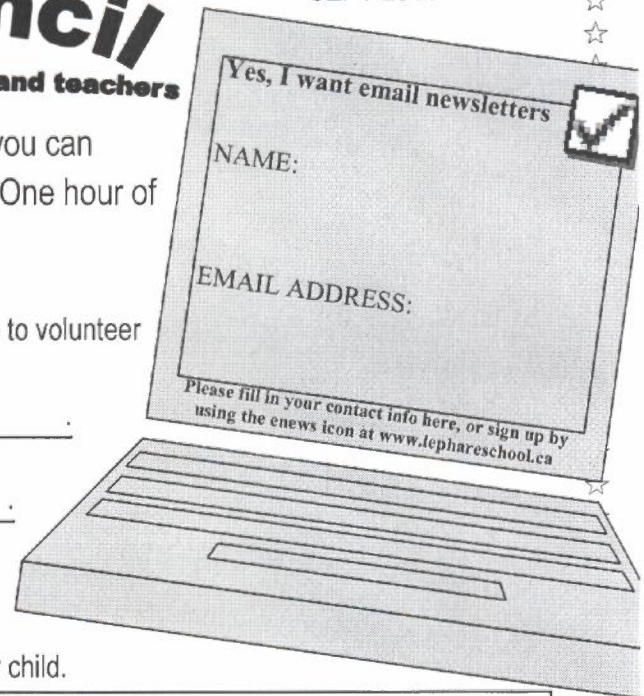
I, _____, would like to volunteer

Volunteer 's email address: _____

Volunteer 's phone number: _____

Or, sign up using the volunteer icon at www.lephareschool.ca.

Check which boxes interest you and return this form to school with your child.



I WANT TO BECOME A COUNCIL MEMBER (this means you attend monthly meetings and join a committee)

I WANT TO JOIN THESE COMMITTEES:

Events committee—help to plan annual events, research and discuss additional events, delegate roles to volunteers, publicize, set-up/take-down, staff activity tables, other

Fund-raising committee—help to plan fundraisers, research and discuss additional fundraisers, delegate roles to volunteers, publicize, other

Communications committee—help to update website, prepare newsletters, email parents, other

Nutrition committee—help to coordinate lunch programs (pizza, subs and hot lunches), plan and prepare for monthly food fairs, the annual bread fair and the "Great Big Crunch", other

Gardening committee—help to plan for the annual plant and yard sale (May 26, 2012), delegate roles to volunteers, publicize, collect and price donated plants, set-up/take-down. Also, help to put the school's beds away for the winter, and spring weeding.

Budget committee—help to prepare monthly statements for Council, make bank deposits, sign cheques, collect event expenses for reimbursement, other

I WANT TO VOLUNTEER AN HOUR OR SO HERE AND THERE (this means you choose when, what and how often)

I WANT TO VOLUNTEER (ONE HOUR) AT THESE EVENTS:

Fall Festival (Thurs, Oct 13, 5-8pm at Le Phare). The Orleans Young Players Theatre School—associated with the Shenkman Arts Centre— will be doing a reading and musical event. There will be crafts, face painting and more. We need: volunteer bakers, set-up/take-down crew, staffing activity tables, publicity, other.

Festival of Lights (Thurs, Dec 8, 5-8pm at Le Phare). A multi-cultural view of the holiday season as celebrated during Hannukah, Kwanza, Diwali, Eid and Christmas. We will need volunteer menu planners, bakers, set-up/take-down crew, staffing activity tables, publicity, other. (Note: We'd love to add other cultures to this event. If you have such experience please let us know!)

End-of-Year Summer Picnic (Wed, June 20, 5-8pm at Le Phare). Schools out for summer!! Games, activities, entertainment, food, used-stuff sale, bake tables and more. We will need volunteer menu planners, bakers, set-up/take-down crew, staffing activity tables, publicity, other.

Floater—I want to help and can be called as a need arises

Expert—I have expertise in _____ and think it may benefit Council in some way. For example, web-design, accounting, fund-raising, etc

Arts Program— I will help create a proposal to re-introduce an arts program (music, visual, dramatic, other) to Le Phare.