

Dear Parents,

We have just completed **TechnoCelebrate**. In this project, students learned about celebrations and traditions from around the world. Using the *Celebrations* database, students gained an understanding of how various cultures celebrate. Afterwards, they selected and researched their own event. Students then made a picture illustrating the family tradition that makes this event special. Students entered the information into the *Our Family Traditions* database. Upon completion, students engaged in a TechnoCelebration that included festivities and fun!

Students acquired and enhanced the following technical skills:



Database Skills

- add an image to a picture field
- add text to a data field using the keyboard
- apply and remove a filter
- clear previous filters from a grid
- enter search criteria in a filter by form
- execute filter by form
- move between records
- print a record from a database form
- understand the purpose of a database
- use wildcard characters to perform a filter



Graphic Skills

- add text to the canvas with the Text tool
- change the file type to 24-bit Bitmap (BMP)
- change the magnification of the canvas with the Magnifier tool
- erase part of an area with the Eraser/Color Eraser tool
- fill an enclosed shape with color
- select a color from the Color box
- select a tool option to change the outcome of a selected tool
- set the attributes of the canvas
- use the keyboard shift key to control shape
- use the Pencil, Brush, Airbrush, Polygon, and Curve tools to draw a line or shape
- use the Rectangle or Ellipse tool to make a shape



Operating Environment Skills

- click and drag the mouse
- close a database
- close a program
- double click the mouse
- open a database
- open a program
- press and hold the shift key
- single click the mouse



We look forward to advancing these skills in the following project *Techno* _____.

Name of Teacher