

Dear Parents,

First graders are learning about different world cultures, and how culture and family traditions fulfill basic needs and impact our lives. Students will learn that members of families or cultures have traditions to keep culture alive.

CULTURE IS...

Language

Music

Games

Food

Decoration

Toys

Celebrations

Dance

Animals

History

Family

As a part of this Culture & Traditions unit, students will complete an at home project, and present it to the class.

The guidelines for this project are:

- ❖ Tell the class about his/her culture/family tradition(s). Explain where the tradition originates (culture and traditions often fulfill basic needs and reflect the "place" where culture or tradition originates).
- ❖ Explain how culture and tradition is kept alive in his/her family.
- ❖ Bring, and explain, artifacts related to the culture or tradition (ex. photographs, decorations, clothing, map, instrument, jewelry, etc.)
- ❖ Presentation should be 2-3 min. long

Take note:

- ✓ Your child's presentation is due on **Thursday, January 17, 2013.**
- ✓ Please remember to write down, and return to school, the country (or countries) from which your child's culture or tradition is influenced.

Big Event
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Save the date... Thursday, January 26 (10:15-11:15 a.m.)! You are invited to participate in our Culture is Food Luncheon. Please bring store purchased food (following district rules/policy) that reflects your culture/traditions to this event so all may experience a delightful sample of food from various cultures and traditions.

Return this portion to school

My child's name: _____

These countries or regions of the world influence his/her culture or tradition:

