

Students Empowered by Technology



North Bay ON - Sandra Carreiro is the first to admit that once she introduced her students to Corel Presentations, the classroom roles gradually reversed and students were teaching her a thing or two in the end. Using the school's mobile lab, the Corpus Christi School teacher assigned students in her Grade 5 and 6 class with projects on Canada-USA relations that had to be showcased to fellow classmates through a slide show using engaging words and images. "It's amazing how quickly and eagerly students will learn when technology is involved," she said. "I was impressed to see them using features I didn't know existed!"

Grade 5 student, David Moore, who focused on the top North American fast food chains, went a step further and used his own i-Pad to enhance his presentation. "I love how the graphics look on (my i-Pad)," he said. "I think it's important that we learn this stuff because you need to know how to research on the internet, put information together, and transfer files from a USB key to your project."

Other project categories included music, sports and television programs shared between the two countries. Students used creative transition features, music and varied text and fonts to display their findings.

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