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NEWS RELEASE

Students Use 21st Century Technology to Reflect on Important Social Values

Cobalt, March 5, 2012:

On Tuesday March 6th, students from across the Northeastern Catholic District School Board will be using technology to participate in a workshop designed to empower them to change the world for the better. The workshop will be delivered by speakers from the world renowned charity *Free the Children* and will be done via video conference, which will link the speakers who are in Toronto with students from across Northeastern Ontario.

This opportunity comes as a result of work being done by grade 6 students from Cobalt. Grade 6 students at St. Patrick Catholic School participated in a day of silence in November, to raise money for Free the Children. Free the Children was founded by Craig Kielburger, and has grown to be the world's largest network of children helping children through education, with more than one million young people involved. The grade 6 students raised over \$550, which will be directed towards a school building campaign in the developing world.

Todd Bosak, Grade 6 teacher at St. Pats stated. "This is an amazing opportunity for our students. This workshop not only helps us use the technology that assists our students be 21st century learners, but also will help students reflect on their power to change the world for the better".

The workshop will begin at 10:45 am, and last until 11:30am. Grade 6 classes at St. Patrick Catholic School in Cobalt, as well as from Holy Family School in Englehart, St. Anne Catholic School in Iroquois Falls and Aileen Wright English Catholic School in Cochrane have registered to simultaneously participate in the workshop, and more are expected.

For more information about Free the Children, contact Stephanie Lanari at Stephanie@freethechildren.com

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