Cultural diversity week is an important event for our school community as it gives students the opportunity to learn about different cultures and the significance that certain foods, events, beliefs, or more may hold. Sharing the parts of our cultures that are special to us, allow us to feel understood and connected with one another, which particularly in times like these when we cannot physically be together, is very important.

The reason we participate in cultural diversity week every year is because it gives us an opportunity to work together with our family to create something unique that has a certain significance to us and our culture. It gives us the chance to listen to stories that our family share with us about our ancestors and cultures. It also brings forth the connection with our family in other parts of the world, as, even though we cannot see each other, we still have them in our hearts as we share this dish with our peers and our community, on behalf of our family.

The reason we chose to make pretzels this year for cultural diversity week is because they are a very well-known part of our German culture. Pretzels have been a renowned part of German culture since the 1820's! Additionally, we have also had the privilege to try a lot of different types of pretzels, large, small, sweet, salty, all around the world before COVID-19, so it was interesting to see how ours would be unique to all of the others ones we have tasted. To share our experiences and cultures with others is extremely important to us. We have been shown that it is both educational and intriguing to learn about other people's cultures, the celebrations and cuisine that we might have thought was strange before finding out more.

We hope you also joined in for this amazing experience, if not, why not go and make something special from your culture now (3)

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