



A special event will bring students from 3 different schools together for a day of harmony and understanding. While playing and creating together, local Christian, Muslim and Jewish children will get comfortable with their identity and with one another.

Together for Humanity has worked with over 50,000 children around Australia and discovered that kids'

prejudice was associated with confusion about their identity.

In March 2010, Together for Humanity ran a pilot program at Wishart State School with a group of Year 7 students ahead of Harmony Day, which was attended by Minister for Disability Phil Reeves and Member for Bonner Kerry Rea. The event was a success and became the foundation for the Sister School Program.

"One and Many – Identity and Harmony" will run on 20 July 2010 for 3 religious schools and on 27 July 2010 for 3 state schools at the Griffith University Multifaith Centre, Nathan Campus.

Together for Humanity QLD Coordinator Ronit Baras said, "This project brings students from 3 different schools together to work on identity with a focus on cultural identity. We want to help the children recognise both differences and similarities between diverse communities and to foster understanding and respect for others. By examining their own identity, students will develop their sense of uniqueness, but also their relationships and feeling of belonging".

The children will work in mixed groups, discuss identity concepts and create a collage of how they see themselves on 4 wooden figures, which will be linked together at the end of the day. They will also make "friendship bracelets" to symbolise their new relationships.

The program is sponsored by Multicultural Affairs Queensland.

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