

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace  
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2012-2013**

**Outcome 2 – Schools and Youth**

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**Senator Mason asked on 18 October 2012 , Hansard page 89**

**Question**

**Outcome 2 - Student resilience and wellbeing**

Senator MASON: We have done the chaplains, I think. I am not quite sure what this is: 'Student resilience and wellbeing'. Again, it is that same table, Ms Paul. What is funded from that bucket of money? What is that all about? Ms Paul: Some of that, I think, is the antibullying work. Do you want us to give you that breakdown on notice? Senator MASON: Yes.

**Answer**

The Student Resilience and Wellbeing Program is a 2012-13 Budget measure. The program was established in June 2012 to support strategic and collaborative student resilience and wellbeing initiatives. In 2012-13, the program is funding:

**Flinders University Australian Research Council Linkage Project *Are the Kids alright? Understanding the wellbeing of Australian children in their middle years***

This survey is part of a 2011-12 Budget measure: *Social and Emotional Development of children aged 8 to 14 years*, totalling \$1.5 million over 5 years. The school based survey will set a benchmark for monitoring trends in social and emotional wellbeing and mental health among different groups of Australian children in their middle years, and between Australian children and their international counterparts. The survey is expected to be conducted in 2013-14.

**Together for Humanity Foundation** - Funding of \$1.036 million over 2009-10 to 2012-13. The Foundation facilitates workshops and provides resources that support teachers and students in learning about diversity.

**Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth (ARACY)** - Funding of \$1.1 million for ARACY operations for 2011-12 to 2013-14. ARACY is working to improve the outcomes for children and young people by promoting collaborative, multidisciplinary and sustainable research concerning children and young people, and promoting the application of this research to policy and practice.

**Australian Teenage Expo 30 August to 1 September 2012** - One-off funding of \$30,000 to support the attendance of not-for-profit organisations to participate in the Expo to provide young people, parents and educators with information on how they can assist with issues affecting young Australians. The Expo provided a fun and educational forum to celebrate young people, including speakers presenting on a range of topics from education, careers, cybersafety, bullying and self-esteem through to safe partying.

**National Anti-bullying Forum 31 July 2012** - *How schools and parents can work together to address bullying*. Funding of \$14,400 to cover forum and participant costs. The Forum brought together school principals, parent groups, young people and experts in education, child welfare, psychology and marketing to discuss how schools and parents can work together to address school bullying.