"Kizuna (Bond) Project"

As part of the reconstruction efforts following the Great East Japan Earthquake (March 11, 2011), the Kizuna (Bond) Project will hold exchange programs involving more than 10,000 youths from Asia Pacific and North America (41 countries and regions) by the end of March 2013. This project is expected to help promote understanding of Japan's revitalization from the Great East Japan Earthquake throughout the international community. The project will invite 100 participants to Japan (students and teacher) from 4 schools in Canada and send 100 Japanese participants to Canada from 4 schools in areas affected by the earthquake.

Quebec related participation:

January 4, 2013 – January 15, 2013 (Quebec students visit Japan):

Through the Kizuna (Bond) Project, twenty five participants from Trafalgar School for Girls, located in Montreal, visited Japan. During their time in Japan, they visited disaster areas situated in Ibaraki Prefecture. They also visited Ichikawa City, Chiba Prefecture, and had an exchange program including discussion with local school students concerning the disaster and home stay experience with local families.

