



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY: Mighty Microbes Ngā Moroiti Mārohirohi

WHAT IF...

... students as young as 5 years old were able to learn about microbiology through engaging, hands-on experiments led by confident, well-informed teachers.

Imagine no longer, this could become a reality with your help.

HOUSE OF SCIENCE

House of Science is a charity providing bi-lingual science resource kits and teacher professional development to schools all over New Zealand. Their science kits reach over 10,000 students each week.

PARTNERSHIP WITH NZMS

In 2021 the New Zealand Microbiological Society sponsored the development of a new resource kit to be added to the House of Science library. The kit was launched at a public event in Tauranga in July.

MIGHTY MICROBES KIT SYNOPSIS

This resource gives students insight into the diverse group of life forms that we unknowingly share our bodies with, and encounter every day of our lives in lots of unexpected ways. In the 'sneeze zone' activity, students learn how far aerosols can travel, there are agar plates and a small incubator to grow hand flora, and balloons are inflated using fermenting yeast.



TEACHER FEEDBACK

"My kids had so much fun, we all learned a LOT! I loved that it included activities about the positives of microbes (like yeast and yoghurt). A really encompassing view on microbes which was great."



Seven Sharp filmed this awesome kit on 13th July 2021, [click here to watch the clip](#).

HOW YOU CAN HELP

NZMS helped design the kit and House of Science is now looking for sponsors to get a copy in each of the branches. To sponsor one copy of the kit costs \$2,500 per annum. This pays for the manufacture and ongoing maintenance of the kit plus distribution to schools in a region. One kit reaches approximately 1,000 students a year. All sponsorship is tax deductible.

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