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Project 3: Seeing is Believing

'Seeing is Believing' is a two-part project aiming to change perceptions of disability through the lens of Paralympians, Para athletes and the Paralympic Movement. It combines Para sport learning and lived experiences to inspire both participation and inclusion in school and kura environments.

WHAT WILL BE DELIVERED

The I'mPOSSIBLE Programme and Para Sport Champions Programme will connect with both disabled and non-disabled tamariki, their teachers and Kaiako, schools and kura by opening minds and challenging perceptions, behaviours and choices.



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- The Education Lead will development a Para Sport Champions programme to be piloted alongside I'mPOSSIBLE programme. This will involve working with NSOs/NDSOs and regional Parafed organisations in the first instance to identify, recruit, and train Champions at different levels of the Para sport pathway.
- Timing of the pilot and launch of the finalised I'mPOSSIBLE resource will capitalise on the visibility and interest in the Paralympic Games and will be cognisant of school and kura terms and teacher and kaiako workloads. It is important that the resource is seen as a useful part of the curriculum, that is engaging and interesting to tamariki and that it supports teacher and kaiako teaching outcomes without being an added burden.
- Work collaboratively with the Sport NZ Education Team including Healthy Active Learning Team to support identification of pilot schools and kura.

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- Monitoring and Evaluation research, review and improvement will occur.
- Commercial partnerships and other funding proposals developed and taken to market.
- The nationwide I'mPOSSIBLE and Para Sport Champions programmes will be launched by 28 August 2023 (1 year to go until Paris 2024 Paralympic Games) to increase visibility of Para sport beyond Paralympic Games times.