

CASE: Participation in the Yume Wakame Workshop

On Saturday, February 22, 2025, employees of the Maruha Nichiro Group and their families participated in the Yume Wakame Workshop held in Minato Mirai, Yokohama. The Yume Wakame Workshop is an initiative aimed at purifying eutrophicated marine environments through seaweed cultivation, as seaweed grows by utilizing nutrients in the ocean. In recent years, the carbon dioxide absorption effect of seaweed has also been attracting attention. Through cultivating wakame, the workshop aims to increase children's interest in the ocean and help them understand the importance of environmental improvement and human connections. The workshop has been held since 2000, and our company has been participating since 2015. A total of 36 employees and their families from our group participated, and including other companies and members of the public, more than 250 people attended the event. On the day of the event, participants had attached wakame seed ropes themselves on Saturday, December 7, 2024, looking forward to their growth. The wakame they attached, which was about 10 cm long at the time, had grown this much.



Group photo of Maruha Nichiro Group participants.

The wakame cultivated in this Dream Wakame Workshop absorbed and purified substances. The total weight of the cultivated wakame was 1,055 kg, a record high!! Absorbed substances: Carbon 19.3 kg, Nitrogen 2.4 kg, Phosphorus 2.7 kg. Absorbed carbon dioxide: 2–2.3 kg.