TAMAHERE

MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

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Nurturing Our Future - Growing Together Kia atawhai aa mua - Kia tipu ngatahi

Wiki/ Week 7 Happenings:

Week Seven already! Thank you to all those families who have already booked your Learning Conferences - so far we have 285 learning conferences booked. It would be great if we can achieve 100% communication and support for every child at these learning conferences. The information on how to book is repeated further down, in this newsletter. Thank you for your support.



WAIHI BEACH CAMP A - update

The next two weeks are very busy for our Maungatautari Syndicate's Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC) experiences, with students from Miro 13, Karaka 15 and our Year 5 boys & Year 6 girls from Manuka 16, away at Waihi Beach this week. Next week students from Mahoe 17, Pukatea 14 and the Year 6 boys and Year 5 girls from Manuka 16 will spend 4 nights at camp.

More information and pictures will be shared next week.



Whaea Maria & Mr Mitchell briefing Camp A students.















PTA MEET & GREET - in conjunction with Punnet Eatery and Russell and Angela Thomas of Thomas Estates

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for a relaxed afternoon catch up with some other school families. Whether you are new to the school, or new to the area, we would love to see you!

While this event has been designed primarily with new families in mind, everyone is welcome.

The PTA have generously covered the food for this event and Punnet are supplying the venue. The \$5 ticket price for adults will give you \$5 towards your first drink at Punnet. Children's tickets are free and will include an icecream, kindly donated by Thomas Estates.

We have trialled a new format this year to make it as achievable for families with children to attend and feel welcome in the community - we look forward to seeing you there!

Please use this link to purchase tickets **Click here**

2:00 - 4.00pm Sunday 30th March Punnet Eatery - 337 Newell Road, Tamahere

HAVE YOU BOOKED YOUR LEARNING CONFERENCE YET?

Bookings operate on a first in first served basis. Please book your Learning Conference times by clicking on the link provided below or the QR code:

Student Centered Learning Conference BOOKING LINK

Book the time that you require with your child's teacher. If you do not have access to the internet or if you require any assistance



with your booking, please contact Lisa or Angela at the school office on 856 9238 or reception@tamahere.school.nz.

For all students, our Learning Conferences will be in Week 9, on **Wednesday 2nd** and **Thursday 3rd April. Our school is NOT closing early and regular pick-up times will stay the same on both days.** The bus will be running as normal, as will After School Care. However, if you would like to take your child home after their conference, please sign them out at the school office. Thank you for your support in helping to make this day run smoothly.

On Wednesday 2nd April, our Parent-Teacher Learning Conferences will begin at **1.15 pm for our Pirongia and Maungatautari Syndicates**. Our Junior, Taupiri Syndicate Learning Conferences will start from 3.00pm. While our first few Year 3-6 learning Conferences take place, school will continue as usual for students who are not attending their conference, with changes to the afternoon programme to cater for the larger groups of students. Our Year 1-2 students will continue as usual in their classrooms. Our Learning Conferences (Parent Teacher Interviews) on Thursday 3rd April will run from 3.00 pm until 5.34 pm.

IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP:

To give you plenty of notice of upcoming disruptions to our regular timetable, here are some dates you may want to put into your calendar.

Monday 31st March: TEACHER ONLY DAY:

We will be using one of our two designated Teacher Only Days, given to us by the Government, to get all teachers up to speed with the new curriculum and mathematics resources, on Monday 31st March.



Tuesday 8th April: FIRST AID EARLY CLOSURE:

To enable all of our staff to complete their First Aid Refresher course, on Tuesday the 8th of April we will be reducing the time for lunch and **closing earlier at 2.00pm**, to enable teachers to complete the 4 ½ hour training, straight after school. ASC will start at 2.00pm on this day. The school bus will leave at the usual time.

Friday 30th May: Term 2 TEACHER ONLY DAY

A reminder about our Hillcrest Kahui Ako Teacher-only day being held on 30th May for all schools in our area including the Middle Schools and Hillcrest High School.

Upcoming Dates:

March / Poutū-te-rangi				
	WEEK 8			
Rāhina / Monday 24th Rātū / Tuesday 25th Rāapa / Wednesday 26th Rāpare / Thursday 27th	★ MAUNGATAUTARI WAIHI BEACH CAMP B - Pukatea 14, Mahoe 17, and Manuka 16 Yr 6 Boys and Yr 5 Girls.			
Rātapu / Sunday 30th	★ PTA MEET & GREET at 2.00pm punnet eatery			
	WEEK 9			
Rāhina / Monday 31st	★ TEACHER ONLY DAY Ministry Day - Mathematics and Statistics.			
Apr	il / Paenga-whāwhā			
Rāapa /Wednesday 2nd	★ LEARNING CONFERENCES			
Rāpare /Thursday 3rd	★ LEARNING CONFERENCES			
Rahoroi /Saturday 5th	★ PUMPKIN NIGHT - sponsored by Russell and Angela Thomas Real Estate			
WEEK 10				
Rātū /Tuesday 8th	★ SCHOOL DAY ENDS AT 2.00PM			
Rāapa /Wednesday 9th	★ BOT MEETING at 6.30pm			
Rāmere /Friday 11th	★ LAST DAY OF TERM 1			

PB4L - Positive Behaviour for Learning

STUDENTS OF WEEK 6 Kia Maia, Kia Manaaki, Kia Kotahi Class Needs/Student Voice						
NIKAU 1	U 1 Poppy M TANEKAHA 12 Mila S					
KAURI 2	Matilda C	MIRO 13	Van W			
KAWAKAWA 3	KAWAKAWA 3 Teacher absent PUKATEA 14 Zara G					
RIMU 7	Avni W	KARAKA 15	Molly B			
POHUTUKAWA 8	Emily P	MANUKA 16	Archie A			

RATA 9	Vivienne H	МАНОЕ 17	Charlie T
TOTARA 10	Teacher Absent	TAWA 19	Adam C
MATAI 11	Zoe Z	HOROPITO 20	Mila B

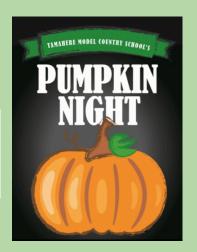


Positive Behaviour for Learning

PUMPKIN NIGHT

Saturday 5th April from 3.00-7.00pm Sponsored by





The Night of the Year is coming up in 3 weekends!

We're so excited about **Pumpkin Night** and would love for you to be part of this special community event! There are plenty of ways to get involved, meet other families, and help make the evening a success.

We're looking for volunteers to assist with:

- calc Set-up on the morning of Saturday, April 5th
- Pack down at the end of the night
- **Baking** brownies, fudge (nut-free, please!)

Your support is truly appreciated—many hands make light work! If you can help, please:

Email the PTA or ask at the office for committee contact details—we're always happy to chat! Or, email **Natalie Toohey (ntoohey@tamahere.school.nz)** with how you'd like to assist.

THIS WEEK WE ARE FOCUSING ON:

PUMPKIN NIGHT COMPETITIONS

The **Pumpkin Night Competition Flyer** came home this week. This has all of the information about the many options for you to participate in the competitions on the day.

© Colouring Competition closes Wednesday, April 2nd—entries must be handed in at the office.

All other competition entries (e.g., decorated pumpkins) should be **dropped off inside Gate 10 by 9 AM on Saturday, April 5th**. Look for signs to place your entry in your syndicate's area.

PUMPKIN NIGHT STALL SIGN-UP SHEETS

Can you spare just one hour? Stall sign-up sheets are outside each classroom. Everything is provided, including clear instructions for volunteers.

If you have a **relative or older student** keen to help, feel free to add their name—we love having our ex-students join in too!

DONATIONS

A huge **thank you** to those who have already donated! We're still collecting:

- **Drinks**: 500ml bottles or standard-sized cans of fizzy drinks, water, and juice drinks (low or zero sugar is also welcome).
- **Chocolate Bars**: large sized chocolate bars.
- Clothing: Quality second-hand adult & kids' clothing and accessories, washed and ready to sell.
- Books: Good-condition children's and adult's books.
- Wrapped Lollies: Wax-wrapped Iollies like Fruit Bursts, Minties, or McIntosh's Toffees (for Iolly necklaces).
- ➡ Where to drop off donations? Bring them to your classroom, and helpers will collect them.

 Students who donate earn Whānau points!

THANKS SO MUCH EVERYONE!

PUMPKIN STAGE TALENT SHOW:

If you want to take part in a stage performance we want to hear from you. Dances, magic shows, rock bands or anything entertaining (and suitable) are welcome. Normans Transport are providing their big Gold truck as the stage once again and we are thankful for their support - literally!



How to register:

- Grab a form from the office.
- Get it signed by a parent.
- Return it to the office by March 28th.

Tamahere New Entrant Enrolment Tracking:

All families with pre-schoolers and anyone expecting to enrol a child at Tamahere Model Country School for 2026, please ensure that you have added their names to our cradle roll, which greatly assists us with planning for next year.



Please email the school office on reception@tamahere.school.nz

Thank you for your help!

Correction - Dylan's Freestyle Record:

It has been confirmed that the time that was reported in the Week 5 Newsletter by **Dylan H** for the 25m freestyle finals, was not actually his fastest recorded time. He went even faster in his heat than he did in the finals. Congratulations Dylan!!!



10 Year Old Boys RECORD HOLDERS

2025

Dylan H - 0.14.57

News from the Library

Jessica Townsend the author of *Nevermoor* will be at the New Zealand Writers Festival in Auckland in May. Tickets are on sale now. <u>Click here</u> for more information



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Year 1 & 2 Rippa Rugby (Term 2) - Registration Close Monday 24th March

If you are interested in registering your Year 1 or 2 child to play Rippa Rugby in Term 2, please complete this <u>form</u> by **Monday 24th March**.

Rippa Rugby is open to Years 1 and 2. Games are held on Friday evenings under lights. Most games are held at Memorial Park in Cambridge, but once a month the game will be played at Leamington. Year 1 games start at 4.30pm and Year 2 games at 5.15pm. Games are 10-a-side. For this term, a decision has been made that the cost to enter will be covered by the school.

More information about the competition will be shared with families who register.

Josh Martelli jmartelli@tamahere.school.nz



Hockey Registrations - Closing on Wednesday 26th March

FRIDAY NIGHT CAMBRIDGE MINI:

This is played at St Peter's Cambridge on Friday nights and is intended as a fun and less competitive competition. The season starts on 9th of May and concludes on 29th August.

No play dates include 30th May, 20th June, 4th July and 11th July. Players

can be Years 3-6 only. The cost is $$55\ per\ player.$

Please complete <u>this form</u> by **Wednesday 26th of March** to register your child for Friday Night hockey.

SATURDAY RAINBOW & MINI COMPETITION:

This is played on Saturday morning at the Gallagher Hockey Centre in Hamilton (Hamilton Lake) or at St Paul's Collegiate. This competition is competitive and is available for children in Years 0-6. The season starts on the 3rd of May and ends on August 30th (no play on 31st May, 21st June, 5th and 12th July). The cost is \$75 per player for Years 3-6 and \$65 per player for Years 0-2.

Please complete this form by Wednesday 26th of March to register your child to play on Saturdays.

Josh Martelli <u>jmartelli@tamahere.school.nz</u>

Year 3 -6 Netball Registrations - Closing on Thursday 27th March

A reminder that the netball season is fast approaching and it is time for us to start registering our netball players. The season begins on Saturday 10th of May.



We require **all players** to fill in **two registration forms** this year. Please ensure that both forms are

completed so we have all the information we need to place players into the appropriate teams. The links can be found below.

If you are keen to either manage or coach one of our netball teams, please indicate this on the Tamahere School google registration form below. We appreciate all the help we can get!

Registration is due on Thursday 27th of March.

1. Tamahere Model Country School Registration Form

2. <u>Cambridge Netball Registration Form</u>

I will be sending out more information about the rules, once registration has closed and teams have been organised. If you have any questions about the registration process please email me at cvisser@tamahere.school.nz. You can also check out the information page on the Cambridge Netball website: https://www.cambridgenetball.co.nz/

Charlotte Visser







Calling for all keen Year 1 and 2 Netballers Any level and stage

Would you like to come and learn some fundamental netball skills?

Last year we had a wonderful group of parents, who offered their Friday afternoons to facilitate and teach netball skills. These parents provided their time and skills, to teach our Year 1 and 2 students about the basic skills of netball.

This year, we would like to offer the same format. Forms will go home with students who are interested in joining the netball skills session, this week. If you are interested, please return your form to Miss Monica Redman in Tawa 19 by the end of Week 9. If a form did not make its way home, please collect one from the school office.

Please note, this skills session unfortunately will not go ahead unless we do have a parent(s) to coach it. At this stage we have tentatively booked the courts by the pool on Fridays from 2.30-3.30pm (however, this day is flexible) for whoever wants to take on the training element. I do know Friday afternoons worked well for this age group last year. We have also booked the Tamahere Community Centre (TCC) should it be wet.

Year 3 -6 Basketball Registrations NOW OPEN

Calling all keen Year 3 -6 students who would like to play basketball in Term 2 & 3 2025!!

We require **all players** to fill a **registration form**. Please ensure that the form is completed so that we have all the information we need to place players in the appropriate teams. The links can be found below.



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If you are keen to either manage or coach on one of our basketball teams, please indicate this on the Tamahere google registration form below. We appreciate all the help we can get!

Tamahere Model Country School Basketball Registration:

- Year 3 & 4 Basketball Registration
- Year 5 & 6 Basketball Registration

The season begins Beginning of Term 2 (Date still to be confirmed) and games are played on a Wednesday night for our Year 3 & 4 students and on a Friday night for our Year 5 & 6 students.

If you have any questions about the registration process, please email me. Please be aware that I am currently away on camp, so will respond to your emails next week.

Luke Mitchell

Imitchell@tamahere.school.nz

Donations / Tax Rebate:

Just a reminder, that if you wish to make a tax claim on your school donation for the 2024/25 Tax Year, it needs to be paid before Monday 31st March 2025. If you require a receipt, please email accounts@tamahere.school.nz.

On another note, we welcome our school families to make contact, if you would like to set up an ongoing automatic payment towards school fees and expenses. Please call Lisa Boyd to discuss on 07 856 9238 or you can email accounts@tamahere.school.nz.

Thank you.

Naming Uniform Items:

With it getting cooler in the morning and children starting to wear their jerseys and jackets to school, now is a great time to check that they are all named, as often the names fade in the wash over time.



2025 TERM DATES:

TERM	START DATE	END DATE	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
1	Monday 3rd February	Friday 11th April	 TEACHER ONLY DAY - Mathematics MoE - Monday 31st March Holidays - Saturday 12th April — Sunday 27th April (includes Good Friday 18th April, Easter Monday 21st April, School Holiday Easter Tuesday on 22nd April and ANZAC DAY - Thursday 25th April)
2	Monday 28th April	Friday 27th June	 Kahui Ako TEACHER ONLY DAY - Friday 30th May King's Birthday - Monday 2nd June Matariki - Friday 20th June Saturday 28th June to Sunday 13th July
3	Monday 14th July	Friday 19th September	 Saturday 20th September to Sunday 5th October
4	Monday 6th October	No later than Friday 19th December	Labour Day – Monday 27th October

City Cluster Swimming Results

INTER SCHOOL RELAY RESULTS:

1st: TAMAHERE MODEL COUNTRY SCHOOL

2nd: Hillcrest
3rd: Matangi
4th: Newstead



FREESTYLE RESULTS:

8 Year Old	Boys Freestyle	8 Year Old	Girls Freestyle
1st	Thomas C	2nd	Hayley C
		3rd	Charlotte H
		4th	Lucie H

9 Year Old	Boys Freestyle	9 Year Old	Girls Freestyle
1st	Charlie T	1st	Tori A
3rd	Sam C	2nd	Molly v

10 Year O	ld Boys Freestyle	10 Year Ol	d Girls Freestyle
1st	Dylan H	1st	Bridgette C
2nd	Benji v	3rd	Gabz H
3rd	Beau C		

BACKSTROKE RESULTS:

8 Year Old	Boys Backstroke	8 Year Old	Girls Backstroke
1st	Thomas C	1st	Hayley C
		3rd	Lucie H
		4th	Riley H

9 Year Old Boys Backstroke		9 Year Old Girls Backstroke	
2nd	Charlie T	2nd	Tori A
3rd	Benjamin M	3rd	Molly v
4th	Sam C	4th	Ayla H

10 Year O	ld Boys Backstroke	10 Year Ol	d Girls Backstroke
1st	Dylan H	3rd	Bridgette C

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4th	Deau C

BREASTSTROKE RESULTS:

8-Year-Old	d Boys Breaststroke	8-Year-Old	l Girls Breaststroke
1st	Thomas C	2nd	Hayley C
		3rd	Riley H

9 Year Old Boys Breaststroke		9 Year Old Girls Breaststroke	
3rd	Sam C	1st	Jamie J
4th	Charlie T	4th	Molly v

10 Year Old Boys Breaststroke		10 Year Old Girls Breaststroke	
1st	Dylan H	2nd	Greta C
2nd	Benji v	3rd	Bridgette C
4th	Lucas E		

MEDLEY RESULTS:

8 Year Old Boys Medley		8 Year Old Girls Medley	
1st	Thomas C	2nd	Hayley C
		3rd	Lucie H
		4th	Charlotte H

9 Year Old Boys Medley		9 Year Old Girls Medley	
2nd	Charlie T	2nd	Tori A
		3rd	Molly v
		4th	Ayla H

10 Year Old Boys Medley		10 Year Old Girls Medley	
1st	Dylan H	1st	Bridgette C
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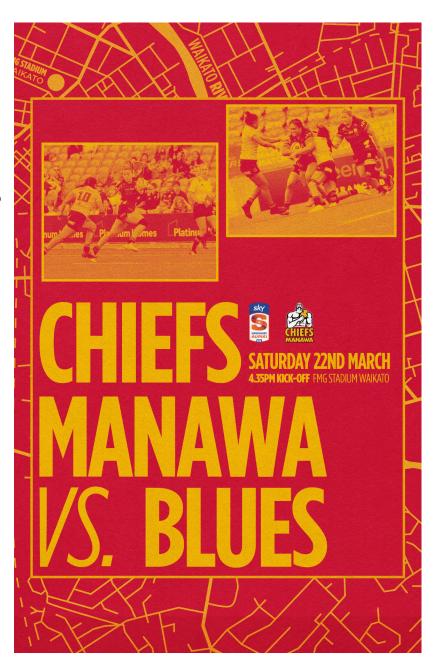


Discount Code for Chiefs Manawa Tickets

Chiefs Manawa have a home game this weekend, on Saturday 22nd March at FMG Stadium with a 4.35pm kick off.

Kids are already free but if you enter the code **PURPLE** at checkout. a 10% discount will be applied.

Please <u>click here</u> to purchase tickets, remembering to enter the Promo code before you pay for your tickets.



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SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

Families can find information about a number of **School Holiday Programmes** that are running these holidays. Please check out our 'Community Notices' section on the website:

https://tamahere.school.nz/whanau-information/#communitynotices



April Sarapu Cup Hamilton coming soon - Register today!

A fun, social chess tournament just for kids aged 4 to 18 inclusive. Open to all kids from complete beginners to experienced players. Lots of great prizes!

DATE: Sunday, 6TH April 2025

TIME: 01:00 PM - 05:30 PM

VENUE: Berkley Normal Middle School, Performing

Arts Centre

COST: \$33 per entry, if prepaid

FORMAT: Pawns, Knights, Bishops and Rooks Divisions

- Four 7 round Swiss tournaments with a time control of 15 minutes for each player. Each game lasts 30 minutes maximum.
 - The **Pawns Division** is for players who are new to Chess and are still taking their first steps.
 - The **Knights Division** is for players who have gained some confidence in Chess, perhaps played in a number of tournaments but aren't established players yet.
 - The **Bishops Division** is for players who are confident in Chess, are established players but are still working on their consistency.
 - The Rooks Division is designed for established players that are confident and have experience.

If your child has never attended a Sarapu Cup before and would like to come and have a look (and maybe play a game with those who have finished a round), please email the Arbiter Jerry Hsiao chess@swift-horse.co.nz who is also the Chess Coach at Hillcrest High School, Berkley Normal Middle School, Silverdale Normal School, and Knighton Normal School.



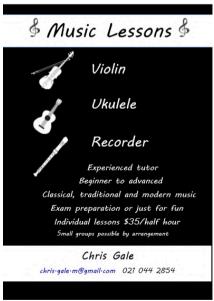


See how to enter an individual event tutorial.

KIDS CLUBS INFORMATION

Children at our school can get involved in our after school Kids Clubs activities. Please contact the providers directly if you would like to find out more or register your child.









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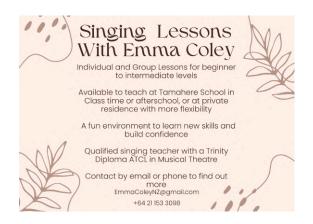
Paul from Wai Piiki Fitness including the kids running group and old friend Ali from Namaste Yoga NZ have booked out the Tamahere Community Centre for the school holidays 8:30am-3:30pm. With time for skill development in an array of sports, kids yoga, mindfulness skills, chill with lego, drawing and plenty of PLAY. with the TCC as our base we have loads of space no matter the weather but will also be outside using the park, playgound and fitness areas.

For 7 to 11yr olds \$50 per day For more info paul.johnson@waipiiki.com or txt on 021 08 949 818









2025 JUNIOR RUGBY SEASON:

For all children interested in playing Rugby this year, including Rippa Rugby, please contact your local rugby club to register.

It is always more fun playing in an environment where you know others around you, so if you are not already aligned to a club, we suggest that you go with Hautapu Club, as this is the closest club to our school.



Below are the links to the registration pages for several clubs:

HAUTAPU JUNIOR RUGBY REGISTRATIONS:

Hautapu Sports is proud to be offering junior rugby again this year. Winter rugby registrations close at the end of March.

<u>Years 0-2:</u> Rippa Rugby is played on a Friday night at Hautapu Sports with one game a month taking place at Leamington. All games are played on a Friday night with training before the game. All shirts are provided.

<u>Years 3-6:</u> Tackle rugby is played at this age with games being played at 10am on a Saturday. We enter into the Waikato Wide competition and travel to Morrinsville, Matamata, Hinuera, Putururu and Tokoroa for our games. Jerseys are provided. To register with Hautapu Junior Rugby is a two step process in 2025.

- 1. Create a profile and register under Hautapu Sports on Rugby Xplorer. This is a NZ Rugby requirement. Instruction on how to do this are here Rugby Xplorer user guide 2025
- 2. Register with Hautapu Sports and pay your account using Friendly Manager The Hautapu Sports online club management system. <u>Junior rugby registrations Hautapu Sports Club</u>



LEAMINGTON JUNIOR RUGBY REGISTRATIONS:

https://www.sporty.co.nz/leamingtonrsc/Junior-Sports-Registrations/junior-rugby-player-registration

OHAUPO JUNIOR RUGBY REGISTRATIONS:

https://www.sporty.co.nz/ohauporugbysports/Junior-Rugby/registration

Te Miro Twister - Sunday 30th March

It's time for the Te Miro Twister on 30 March 2025! There are several distances to choose from starting at 2.5km for little ones right to 42km for serious racers. There are amazing spot prizes.

To enter follow this link:

For more information, please download the events manual



Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Classes for Children at Grassroots Velodrome

Cambridge Jiu Jitsu Club has recently launched a new Brazilian Jiu Jitsu program for children, based at the Grassroots Velodrome. Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, with two age-specific groups: one for children aged 5-7, and another for those aged 8-13. This is a fantastic opportunity for young people to build essential skills like self-confidence, resilience, strength, and discipline.

The club is particularly passionate about encouraging girls to participate in Jiu Jitsu, as it provides them with valuable self-defense skills and teaches them to effectively handle situations where their opponent may be larger or stronger.



Furniture Restoration Workshop in Tamahere - Saturday 29th March

Come and get your creaky or cracked furniture repaired under the guidance of a furniture restoration specialist at our community repair-cafe style event! No more squeaky chairs! The aim is to promote sustainability, reduce waste, and upskill participants in furniture restoration techniques. This event offers a practical solution for upcycling old furniture that would otherwise end up in landfills, while simultaneously fostering a sense of community and environmental responsibility.

Tickets are \$5 each - Places are limited so book your place so you don't miss out! **GET YOUR TICKETS HERE!**

Brought to you by the Waikato District Council Waste Minimisation Fund, and in partnership with <u>The ReCreators</u>!

The day starts with a 45-minute talk and demonstration of repair techniques, including:

- Learn how to repair breaks, cracks, splits, and bora.
- The 4 stages of wooden furniture restoration: Strip/ Sand/ Stain/ Seal.
- A walk through all the repair tools and products.

Following this there is 4 hours of repair cafe time where the participants repair their furniture with the help of our specialist. Please bring a piece of furniture from home with you to restore.

Location: St Stephen's Church, 14 Tamahere Drive **Date:** Saturday 29 March 2025, 11:00am - 04:00pm

