Te Hoiere Project

HAERE, KAKEA
TE ARA POKA HOU

2026 Event Calender

Rarangatia a Te Hoiere – Weaving for the Waterways 20.05.26

A hands-on day learning with expert weavers to create plant guards and harakeke ropes that support fish passage in Te Hoiere. Tamariki will explore the connection between weaving, river restoration, and kaitiakitanga while making their own taonga to help the awa.

Rā mātai i te awa – Snorkel & Stream Health Day 21.04.26

Back up date with poor weather is 23.04.26. This will be an exciting Conservation Week adventure where participants snorkel in Te Hoiere awa to discover the underwater world, then learn how to assess stream health using SHMAK methods. A perfect mix of science, exploration, and kaitiaki learning.

Wānanga tiaki i te Awa – Ngāti Kuia Cultural Monitoring Day 01.09.26

A day led by Ngāti Kuia Cultural Monitors, sharing iwi history, tikanga, and methods for understanding the health of marine ecosystems. Participants will learn cultural monitoring practices, deepen their connection to Te Hoiere, and gain insights into Ngāti Kuia's role as kaitiaki.

Te whakanui i a Matariki 09.07.26

Join us for a Matariki morning gathering at Te Hoiere, where community can come together to hopefully see the Matariki cluster, share hot chocolates and listen to kōrero and pūrākau that celebrate the rising of Matariki, the Māori New Year, and the stories of our whenua. This gentle, family-friendly event offers a moment of reflection, learning, and connection as we honour the stars, the season, and the hopes we carry into the year ahead.

Noho tiaki pekapeka – Pekapeka Camp at Te Hoiere Date in Dec TBC

An immersive overnight camp held during the Christmas school holidays, where tamariki will learn about pekapeka, explore the ngahere after dark, use monitoring equipment alongside Forest & Bird, and experience the night life of Te Hoiere. This is a unique opportunity to connect with one of Aotearoa's most special taonga species.
To apply, tamariki will need to write a short letter explaining why they are passionate about pekapeka. Camp participants will be selected based on these letters.
Parents or caregivers must accompany their tamaiti. Spaces are very limited and are reserved for tamariki who show a strong interest in pekapeka.

Te ara toa – Te Hoiere Tamariki Challenge Date in Nov TBC

A fun and energetic outdoor challenge where the schools of Te Hoiere compete in a family-friendly rogaine, racing through forest and river-side trails and completing nature-based obstacles and activities along the way. A celebration of teamwork, resilience, and exploring the wild spaces of Te Hoiere.

Restoring the mauri of Te Hoiere