



The Hill School  
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# TAKE NOTE

JANUARY 18, 2024

## **TOMORROW, JANUARY 19-NOON DISMISSAL**

**Dismissal at 12:00pm on the following Fridays:  
January 26 and February 2.**

**FEBRUARY 9th - MINI OLYMPICS - FULL DAY OF SKIING!**

## Culture & Inclusion

Are you interested in supporting Hill families to raise kind, culturally competent, and empathetic children? Join us as we continue to build the framework for the revived Culture & Inclusion Parent Club.

January 23 | 1:30 p.m.  
Alumni Room

Interested but can't make it?

Email Jill Hottel:  
[jill.hottel@gmail.com](mailto:jill.hottel@gmail.com)

Zoom available for remote attendees.



**ALTERNATIVE**

**Spring Break  
2025**

Is your student interested in tropical marine biology, ecology or conservation? Would you be interested in undertaking a unique spring break experience with them?

What: Interest Meeting for Alternative Spring Break 2025

Who: Rising 3rd - 8th Graders (and their parents)

When: Wednesday, January 24 at 4 p.m.

Where: Alumni Room

Intrigued? Email Jill Hottel  
([jill.hottel@gmail.com](mailto:jill.hottel@gmail.com)).

## Coming up at Hill:

<b>Fri., January 19</b>	Ski Friday, 12:00 <b>DISMISSAL FOR ALL GRADES.</b>
<b>Tues., January 23</b>	Culture & Inclusion Parent Meeting, 1:30pm in the Alumni Room. JV Boys Basketball vs. Highland @ Hill. Game 3:30pm, dismissal 4:45. V Boys Basketball vs. Highland @ Hill. Game 4:30pm, dismissal 5:45. JV Girls Basketball vs. Highland @ Highland. Game 3:15pm, dismissal 5:00. V Girls Basketball vs. Highland @ Highland. Game 4:30pm, dismissal 6:15.
<b>Wed., January 24</b>	5th Grade Play Day, Girls @ LCDS, Boys @ Hill - 12:30 - 1:30pm. Spring Break 2025 Interest Meeting, 4:00pm in the Alumni Room.
<b>Thurs., January 25</b>	V Girls Basketball vs. RMA @ Hill. Game 3:30pm, dismissal 4:45pm. V Boys Basketball vs. RMA @ Hill. Game 4:30pm, dismissal 5:45pm.

**SEEKING:** Grace Church Wood Ministry in The Plains provides firewood to those who need it but can't afford to buy it. Do you have any extra firewood that you would like to donate? If so, please call or text Reddy Manierre at 540-687-4124. Thank you!

**LOST & FOUND:** Child size green Crayola ski goggles found in the parking lot at Bryce. You can claim them at the check-in table or contact Clarissa at 703-657-9261.

## RE-ENROLLMENT FOR NEXT YEAR

### RE-ENROLLMENT FOR FULL TUITION FAMILIES

- FEBRUARY 1ST - 2024-2025 CONTRACTS WILL BE POPULATED IN YOUR BIGSIS PORTAL.
- FEBRUARY 16TH - 2024-2025 CONTRACTS ARE DUE BACK TO ENSURE SPOTS ARE HELD.

### RE-ENROLLMENT FOR FINANCIAL AID FAMILIES

- NOVEMBER 27TH - THE FAST (FINANCIAL AID FOR SCHOOL TUITION) PROCESS IS OPEN - CLICK [HERE](#) TO BEGIN.
- FEBRUARY 1ST - DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID.
- FEBRUARY/MARCH - FINANCIAL AID CONTRACTS WILL BE POPULATED IN YOUR BIGSIS PORTAL.
- CONTRACTS ARE DUE TWO WEEKS AFTER THEY ARE ISSUED.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING RE-ENROLLMENT IN GENERAL PLEASE CONTACT KELLY JOHNSON.  
QUESTIONS REGARDING FINANCIAL AID OR PAYMENT PLANS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO SARAH SCHRODER.

## PTC PARENT MEETINGS

Grade 1 - Fri., Jan. 19 @ 8:30am, Lunchroom  
Grade 3 - Mon., Jan. 22 @ 8:30am, Lunchroom  
Grade 6 - Tues., Jan. 23 @ 8:30am, Lunchroom

## The Hill School SUMMER CAMP 2024



**REGISTRATION OPENS  
FEBRUARY 1ST!**

# **We need your help!**

It's time to put together the packages we will offer for  
THE HILL SCHOOL 47TH ANNUAL AUCTION

## **"A Casino Night and Gala"**

We need fresh ideas, unique items and out of the box experiences. Please join us for an

## **Auction Wine Glass Paint Party**

**January 24th ♥ 8:30 am ♥ Hill School Alumni Room**

On Wednesday, January 24th, we will host a breakfast meeting and wine glass paint party. While we paint, we can brainstorm new auction packages. We supply the wine glasses and paints, you bring the ideas!



Email Kim Medica at [kmedica@thehillschool.org](mailto:kmedica@thehillschool.org)  
to RSVP! Hope to see you there!



Join us for a Happy Hour

# Auction Mix & Sip

IT'S TIME TO PUT TOGETHER THE PACKAGES WE WILL OFFER FOR THE  
THE HILL SCHOOL 47TH ANNUAL AUCTION

## "A Casino Night and Gala"



5:30PM  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH  
HILL SCHOOL THEATER

BRING YOUR FABULOUS IDEAS  
WHILE WE ENJOY A VALENTINE  
COCKTAIL AND LIGHT SNACKS

Email Kim Medica at [kmedica@thehillschool.org](mailto:kmedica@thehillschool.org)  
to RSVP! Hope to see you there!

## HELLO!

I hope you are all staying warm with a good book this winter season!



# Happy New Year 2024

## THANK YOU!

Thank you to our wonderful Hill School families for your generous donations from the book fair! Also thanks for being so vigilant in returning books on time and taking such good care of our book friends.



## WELCOME TO THE HILL SCHOOL LIBRARY

### BREAKING NEWS

The library is focusing on media literacy and focused book tastings for middle grades! Book tastings are a way to introduce students to the books available in the library. Media literacy includes talking about how media affects consumers, using technology and building research skills.

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We are so happy for the 2023- 2024 school year!

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**WE HAVE SO MUCH TO SHARE  
WITH YOU (DEC & JAN)**

In Dec: Searching online with: AND, OR, NOT



In Jan: Media Conglomerates



## LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

JK, K & 1 Storytime!

2nd & 3rd Learning Library Lingo with our Word Wall & Library Jenga

4-6: Learned about Boolean Operators and Modifiers to help with online searching; database scavenger Hunt & Popcorn! "Unwrapping a Mystery" Book Tasting & Media Conglomerates

7-8: Also learned about Boolean Search Techniques & Media Conglomerates



## FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- Students may have a max of 3 books out at once, due 3 wk from borrow date
- Please encourage students to care for library books (store them in a safe place away from food, water, pets, younger siblings and the elements)
- Books are considered lost after they are 90 days overdue
- Please know that once charged for a lost/damaged book we cannot issue refunds.
- Thank you for your understanding & support of the library!

A HUGE thank you to students & families for returning books on time.

Keep up the good work!

Please feel free to reach out to Marnie Butu anytime at: [mbutu@thehillschool.org](mailto:mbutu@thehillschool.org)





**ORDER  
NOW**

*Hill School Store*

**Please Note:  
Order placed by February 2nd will  
be available for pickup on  
February 29th.**

**[HTTPS://THEHILLSCHOOL.FUTURASTORES.COM](https://thehillschool.futurastores.com)**



# BINGO FOR BOOKS



The 8th grade is bringing back Bingo for Books to  
fundraise for their class gift.

It will be a night of bingo, winning books, food, and fun  
for the whole family!

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH**

5:00pm - 6:30pm - Peard Building

\$15/person payable by cash, check, or Venmo.

Price includes pizza, drinks, and unlimited bingo cards.

Additional items will be available for purchase: cotton candy, chips, and more.

If you have any books you would like to donate please bring them to the 8th  
grade homeroom. We would love to have books for adults i.e. cookbooks,  
gardening, as well as books for children of all ages.

**Click [HERE](#) to register!**





# 2024 Hill School Talent Show!

The 2024 Hill School Talent Show will be held on Friday, February 16th 1:30-3:00 in the Sheila C. Johnson Performing Arts Center. Applications should be submitted by Wednesday, February 7th using this Google Form Link:

Click [here](#) for the talent show sign up form

Anyone in the Hill Community can participate students, parents, alumni, teachers, staff - but every act should include a present student.

All performances should be maximum 2 minutes in length, and should appeal to the entire Hill community (JK-8th grade.)

Dress Rehearsal Thursday  
February 15th 4:00-5:30PM



# BREAKDANCE

AFTER SCHOOL DANCE PROGRAM

AT THE HILL SCHOOL

6 WEEK SESSION

TUESDAYS JAN 9 - FEB 13

THURSDAYS JAN 11 - FEB 15

TUESDAYS

3-4P Breakdance (K-2nd Grade)

4-5P Breakdance/Hip Hop (2nd-4th Grade)

THURSDAY

3-4P Breakdance (JK-1st Grade)

4-5P Tap/Jazz (2nd-4th Grade)

Email To Register

JENNAHIDEEDANCEPROJECT@GMAIL.COM

COST  
\$240



Join Emily Tyler  
and learn all about  
making soup!

In this class, I'll guide you through the art of crafting delicious soups without the need for a strict recipe. We'll explore the magic of pantry and freezer staples, empowering you to create warm, comforting meals in minutes.

Saturday, January 12, 2024

**POSTPONED: LOOK FOR  
NEW DATE & TIME!**

To register, email [etyler1756@gmail.com](mailto:etyler1756@gmail.com)



Did you know that you could  
pre-order Girl Scout Cookies?

Avoid missing out on your favorite  
cookies by ordering from  
The Hill School's local troop  
Troop 70335

Help our girls reach their goal of selling  
1000 boxes of cookies.

How: Scan the QR code and follow the prompts.  
or visit the website :

[gsdigitalcookie.com/code](https://gsdigitalcookie.com/code)

Use any of these codes to help out the troop.

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NXMAHPWA

A9GG4WZH



Other ways to help:

- make a contribution to the troop
- purchase boxes and donate them to a local food bank or firehouse or give a box to a teacher 😊

Choose direct ship or in person delivery

Not able to do online shopping? That's ok, we will have  
booths at local businesses in February.

If you have any questions, email [smccaskey@thehillsschool.org](mailto:smccaskey@thehillsschool.org)



# DIRECTIONS TO BRYCE RESORT

**TRAVEL TIME:** Approximately 1 hour 30 minutes

- Middleburg to Interstate 81 S.
- From Interstate 81 S. take Exit 273 (Mt. Jackson, Basye).
- Make a right at stop sign at the end of the exit ramp. (Rt. 703 W)
- Continue until next stop sign – take a left. (Rt. 614)
- Stay on this road until you come to a stop sign – make a right. (Rt. 263 W)
- Follow this road until you turn right into Bryce Resort.

**Please do not rely on GPS, it will take you over secondary and service roads. These directions are more efficient.**



The Hill School Book Fair is looking for someone to join the team and learn the role of co-chair. Do you love books and want to be part of the magic?

Email  
[bookfair1@thehillschool.org](mailto:bookfair1@thehillschool.org)  
to learn more.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

JAN  
17

OPEN HOUSE  
6:30 – 8:30 P.M.

JAN  
22

OPEN HOUSE  
9:00 – 11:00 A.M.

JAN  
22

SHADOW DAY  
11:00 A.M. – 2:50 P.M.

FEB  
9

OPEN HOUSE  
8:30 – 10:30 A.M.

FEB  
16

SHADOW DAY  
11:30 A.M. – 3:15 P.M.

FEB  
28

OPEN HOUSE  
8:30 – 10:30 A.M.

MARCH  
5

OPEN HOUSE  
8:30 – 10:30 A.M.

MARCH  
20

OPEN HOUSE  
6:30 – 8:30 P.M.

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR GRADES 9-12  
REGISTRATION APPRECIATED. WALK-INS WELCOME FOR AN OPEN HOUSE.  
REGISTER ONLINE OR CONTACT [ADMISSION@ECSLOUDOUN.ORG](mailto:ADMISSION@ECSLOUDOUN.ORG).

## TAKE NOTE SUBMISSIONS

Take Note is published weekly each Thursday.

**DEADLINE** for submission of items is

**NOON on Tuesday.**

E-mail articles and/or classified ads to:  
[takenote@thehillschool.org](mailto:takenote@thehillschool.org).

**Ad format:** JPEG or PNG,  
3X5 vertical and 7X5  
horizontal