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January 8, 2026

## SKI CLUB KICKS OFF THIS FRIDAY, JANUARY 9



Ski Club groups and lesson times were linked in this week's Take Note email. Check out this [guide for skiing Bryce](#) for information on how to make Ski Fridays a success, including common sense directions to get you to Bryce Resort. Reach out to [Silvia Fleming](#) with questions.

**Please note: the Copper Kettle requires reservations.**

## 8TH GRADE HOT COCOA FUNDRAISER

*\$1 for the works*

Thursday, January 15  
Peard Lunchroom

*Monies raised will support the  
Red Cross Foundation*



## BINGO FOR BOOKS

THE EIGHTH GRADE NEEDS  
BOOK DONATIONS.

If you have any books you would like to donate please bring them to the eighth grade homeroom.

They would love early- and middle-grade books (for grades JK through 4). All books appreciated.

## PTC Parent Meetings

Parents from each grade are invited to meet with their room parents to learn about what is in store for their class this spring. Class meetings will be held on the following dates:

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| <b>JK:</b> Tuesday, Jan. 13<br>8:30 a.m., Alumni Rm  | <b>4:</b> Monday, Jan. 12<br>8:30 a.m., Lunchroom    |
| <b>K:</b> Friday, Jan. 23<br>8:30 a.m., Alumni Rm    | <b>5:</b> Wednesday, Jan. 28<br>8:30 a.m., Alumni Rm |
| <b>1:</b> Tuesday, Jan. 27<br>8:30 a.m., Alumni Rm   | <b>6:</b> Tuesday, Jan. 20<br>8:30 a.m., Alumni Rm   |
| <b>2:</b> Friday, Jan. 30<br>8:30 a.m., Alumni Rm    | <b>7:</b> Monday, Jan. 26<br>8:30 a.m., Lunchroom    |
| <b>3:</b> Wednesday, Jan. 21<br>8:30 a.m., Alumni Rm | <b>8:</b> Wednesday, Jan. 14<br>8:30 a.m., Alumni Rm |

## SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES

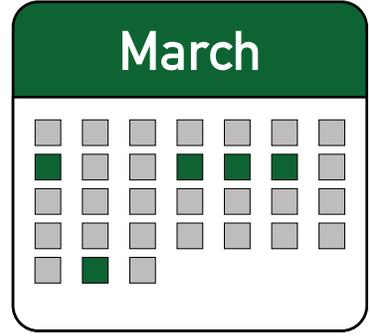
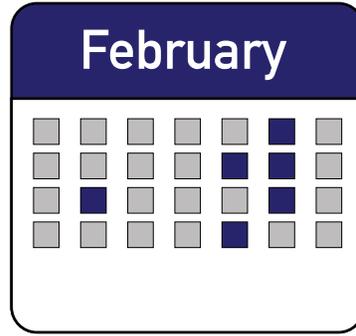
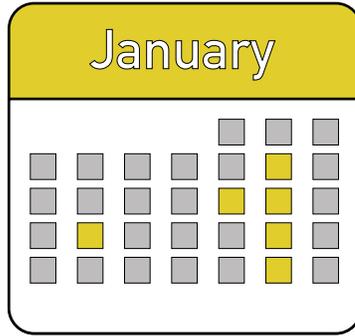
EACH WEEK STUDENTS GATHER TOGETHER FOR ASSEMBLY. PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND ANY ASSEMBLY. PLEASE SIGN-IN AT THE FRONT DESK.

1/14 ALL-SCHOOL: MRS. WEEDEN AND THE SIXTH GRADE SHARES "100 YEARS OF SNACKAGE" (IT'S THEIR TREE SURVEY RESULTS).

1/16 LOWER SCHOOL: NO ASSEMBLY. SKI FRIDAY.

# UPCOMING @ Hill

The [2026-2027 Academic Calendar](#) is now available on the Hill School website.



- 9** [First Ski Friday](#)  
11:30 a.m. Dismissal
- 15** National Hat Day
- 16** Ski Friday  
Noon Dismissal
- 19** Professional Development Day, No School
- 23** Ski Friday  
Noon Dismissal
- 30** Ski Friday  
Noon Dismissal
- 6** Ski Friday  
Noon Dismissal
- 12** Student vs. Faculty Basketball  
2 p.m., Gym
- 13** Mini Olympics  
No School
- 16** Winter Holiday  
No School

- 20** [Student Talent Show](#)  
1:30 p.m., Theater
- 20** [Bingo for Books](#)  
5 p.m., Lunchroom
- 26** [Head of School Coffee](#)  
8:30 a.m., Alumni Room
- 26** [Community Book Read](#)  
6 p.m., Theater
- 8** Daylight Savings Begins
- 11** Culture Study: Vietnam
- 12** Culture Study: Vietnam
- 13** Culture Study: Vietnam
- 13** Spring Break Begins  
Noon Dismissal
- 30** School Resumes

## Re-Enrollment for 2026-2027

**For Full Tuition Families**  
**January 23:** 2026-2027 contracts will be populated in your Ravenna portal.  
**February 6:** 2026-2027 contracts are due back to ensure spots are held.

**For Financial Aid Families**  
**Now:** [Click here to begin](#) FAST (Financial Aid for School Tuition).  
**January 23:** Deadline to apply for financial aid.  
**January/February:** Financial aid contracts will be populated in your Ravenna portal.

Contracts are due two weeks after they are issued. Questions regarding re-enrollment? Contact [Kelly Johnson](#). Questions about financial aid or payment plans? Contact [Sarah Schroder](#).

# NATIONAL HAT DAY

JANUARY 15

STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO BRING A HAT TO SCHOOL TO WEAR FOR A SCHOOL-WIDE PHOTO ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 15.

## THE CLASSIFIEDS

- Looking to get onto a workout routine for the New Year? Christian Lyman is available for personal training sessions and able and willing to work with children and/or adults. Contact Christian at 540-878-0337 or visit [clymanfitness.com](http://clymanfitness.com).
- Interested in advertising in the Take Note? Email the [Take Note](#) for more information.

# ATHLETICS @ Hill

Game day schedule changes will be communicated by **Coach Zach Roszel** via [ParentSquare](#).  
[View the full Winter Athletic Game Schedule here.](#)

## Tuesday, January 13

- JV Boys Basketball vs. Highland @ Hill. Game at 3:15 p.m. Dismissal at 4:30 p.m.
- V Boys Basketball vs. Highland @ Hill. Game at 4:15 p.m. Dismissal at 5:30 p.m.
- JV Girls Basketball vs. Highland @ Highland. Game at 3:15 p.m. Dismissal at 5 p.m.
- V Girls Basketball vs. Highland @ Highland. Game at 3:15 p.m. Dismissal at 5 p.m.

## Wednesday, January 14

- Grade 6 Girls Basketball vs. LCDS @ LCDS. Game at 3:30 p.m. Dismissal at 5:15 p.m.
- Grade 6 Boys Basketball vs. LCDS @ LCDS. Game at 4:30 p.m. Dismissal at 6:15 p.m.

# POWER OF COMMUNITY

## THE HILL SCHOOL ANNUAL FUND

HAVE YOU HEARD THE GREAT NEWS?

### WE DID IT!

THANK YOU TO THE 96% OF FAMILIES WHO PARTICIPATED IN THIS YEAR'S PARENT ANNUAL GIVING CHALLENGE.

WE EXCEEDED OUR GOAL.

YOUR GENEROSITY HELPED THE SCHOOL EARN A \$30,000 MATCH. WHAT A HOLIDAY GIFT FOR HILL!



# The PTC Needs You!



There are a number of ways to be involved at Hill. Grandparents are welcome to help, too!

- **Fresh Fruit Mondays.** Help the PTC share fresh fruit with Hill's faculty and staff each week. [Sign-up for Spring on ParentSquare.](#)
- **Ice Cream Wednesdays.** Through Wednesday, May 27. Wednesdays from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. [Sign-up for Spring on ParentSquare.](#)



## THE HILL SCHOOL MEDIATION PROGRAM

A PRIVATE INTERVENTION AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE STRUGGLING TO COMMUNICATE OR HAVING A CONFLICT WITH A PEER AND BELIEVE NAVIGATING A RESOLUTION WOULD BE BETTER ACHIEVED WITH THE HELP OF AN ADULT.

[CLICK TO LEARN MORE](#)

The Community Music School of the Piedmont

## JOIN OUR Winter Sessions



**Music Together**



Join Mrs. Mangum for a fun, hands-on opportunity to design, build, and innovate with Makey Makey technology.

# OPERATION STEM

## For Grades 3-6.

**January 13 through March 3**  
Tuesdays from 4 to 5 p.m.

[Click here to register.](#)



JOIN MRS. HALLISSEY, AN AWARDED IRISH DANCE TEACHER AND PERFORMER FOR OVER 20+ YEARS FOR

## Irish Dance Classes

# WEDNESDAYS

## 4:15 - 5:00 PM

**CLICK HERE**

**SESSION 1: JAN. 7 - MAR. 4**  
Hill School Dance Studio

All students, K-8<sup>th</sup> Grade welcome!

# After School Programs

-  **Dance at Hill.** On Mondays: JK through Grade 3, including a boys-only class. On Tuesdays: Grade 1 through Grade 8. Winter Session is January 5 through March 10. [Click here to register.](#)
-  **Irish Dancing.** On Wednesdays. Kindergarten through Grade 8. Winter Session from January 7 through March 4. [Click here to register.](#)
-  **Kyle's Karate.** On Thursdays. Junior Kindergarten through Grade 5. Winter Session from January 8 through March 12. [Click here for more information.](#)
-  **Operation STEM.** On Tuesdays. Grades 3 through 6. Winter Session from January 13 through March 3. [Click here to register.](#)
-  **Silver Knights Chess Academy.** On Mondays. Kindergarten through Grade 8. From February 9 through May 18. [Click here for more information.](#)
-  **The Coder School.** On Thursdays. Kindergarten through Grade 2 at 3 p.m. Grades 3 through 5 at 4 p.m. Winter Session from January 15 through March 5. Spring Session beginning April 2 through May 28. [Click here to register.](#)

If you have questions about after school programs at Hill, please contact [Sarah Schroder](#).

# SUMMER CAMPS @ HILL

Sign-ups go live Thursday, February 5.

## 2026 Hill School Talent Show!

The 2026 Hill School Talent Show will be held on Friday, February 20, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Sheila C. Johnson Performing Arts Center.

Applications should be submitted by Wednesday, February 4, using this [Google Form](#).

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

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

Dress rehearsal is Wednesday, February 18, from 11 to 11:45 a.m.

Childhood Roots of Adult Happiness is a research-informed guide to helping children build lasting joy, connection, and confidence—qualities that support lifelong well-being.

A longtime favorite in our Hill community, this inspiring book by Dr. Edward Hallowell has been chosen in honor of our Centennial Celebration. We look forward to using it as a springboard for meaningful conversations about how we, as parents, can nurture happiness and resilience in our children.

## the childhood roots of adult happiness



"A pioneering contribution... Once again this extraordinary child psychiatrist has provided revealing new windows through which to observe and constructively shape developing minds."  
—MEL LEVINE, M.D.  
New York Times bestselling author of *A Mind at a Time*

five steps to help kids create and sustain lifelong joy

EDWARD M. HALLOWELL, M.D.  
Bestselling coauthor of *Driven to Distraction*

## COMMUNITY

# BOOK READ

Thursday, February 26  
6 PM | Theater

SPONSORED BY THE EDUCATION SCHOOL LIFE COMMITTEE

## FREE BRING

## YOUR BESTIE

## TO DANCE DAY!

## @ THE HILL SCHOOL

Twirl, jump, move and groove with your bestie! In a fun, high-energy dance class- **NEW FRIENDS** and **FIRST TIME DANCERS WELCOME!**

### MONDAY 1/12

JK & K @ 3P  
K-4<sup>TH</sup> BOYS ONLY @4P  
3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE @5P

### TUESDAY 1/20

1<sup>ST</sup> & 2<sup>ND</sup> @ 3P  
3<sup>RD</sup> - 8<sup>TH</sup> @4P

EMAIL TO REGISTER

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