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January 9, 2025

SKI CLUB KICKS OFF THIS FRIDAY, JANUARY 10



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. Reach out to [Silvia Fleming](#) with questions. **Please note: the Copper Kettle requires reservations.**

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:

JK: Friday, January 31 8:30 a.m., Alumni	4: Friday, January 24 8:30 a.m., Alumni
K: Monday, January 27 8:30 a.m., Lunchroom	5: Thursday, January 30 8:30 a.m., Lunchroom
1: Tuesday, January 14 8:30 a.m., Lunchroom	6: Wednesday, January 15 8:30 a.m., Alumni
2: Thursday, January 23 8:30 a.m., Lunchroom	7: Wednesday, January 22 8:30 a.m., Alumni
3: Monday, January 13 8:30 a.m., Lunchroom	8: Wednesday, January 29 8:30 a.m., Alumni

LEARNING DIFFERENCES

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

ADHD

THURSDAY

16

JANUARY

8:30AM in the Alumni Room

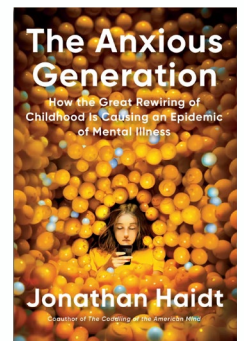
Join special guest Dr. Jenn Babcock, Psychologist and Hill parent, to learn more about **ADHD**. Questions and discussion to follow. **CLICK** for more info.

Better
TOGETHER

Community Book Read

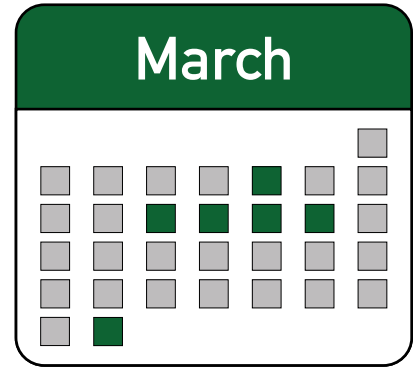
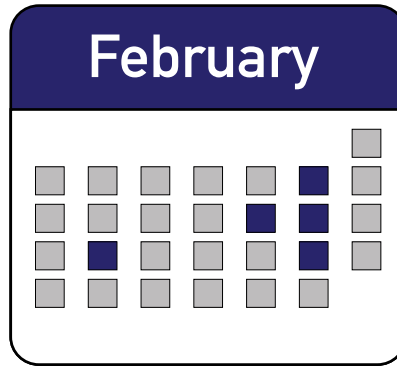
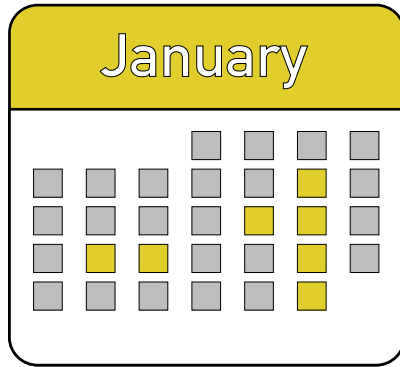
How should we handle social media with kids? When is it appropriate? Is it appropriate? Join Treavor Lord, Kasia Daum, and fellow Hill School parents on Tuesday, January 21, for a discussion on *The Anxious Generation*. Treavor and Kasia will share Hill's philosophy on technology and provide an opportunity for open and honest discussion regarding the book and its recommendations. Regardless of whether you have read the book or not, all are welcome to participate in the discussion. Click here for the [cliff notes](#).

There will be two discussions: one at 8:30 a.m. and one at 6 p.m. [RSVPs are requested](#) for the evening session. Childcare will be provided for Hill students and they will be served pizza.



UPCOMING @ Hill

View the full [2024-2025 Academic Calendar](#) on the Hill School website.



10 Ski Friday
11:30 a.m. Dismissal

16 [Learning Differences Support](#)
8:30 a.m., Alumni Room

17 Ski Friday
Noon Dismissal

20 Professional Development Day, No School

21 [Community Book Read](#)
8:30 a.m., Alumni Room

21 [Community Book Read](#)
6 p.m., Alumni Room

24 Ski Friday
Noon Dismissal

31 Ski Friday
Noon Dismissal

7 Ski Friday
Noon Dismissal

13 [Parent Book Club](#)
8:30 a.m., Lunchroom

14 Mini Olympics
No School

17 No School

21 Student Talent Show

21 [Bingo-for-Books](#)
5 p.m., Lunchroom

6 [Parent Book Club](#)
8:30 a.m., Lunchroom

11 Learning Differences Support
8:30 a.m., Alumni Room

12 Culture Study

13 Culture Study

14 Culture Study

14 Spring Break Begins
Noon Dismissal

31 School Reopens

The PTC Needs You!



- [Ice Cream Wednesdays](#). Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Three parent volunteers needed each week. January through May sign-up [on ParentSquare](#).
- Faculty Lounge Restock. Help fill the faculty lounge with treats that will spark joy (and provide much needed sustenance and energy). [Sign-up on ParentSquare](#). Contributions requested by Wednesday, January 22.


WE DID IT!


We are excited and grateful to announce that the Parent Annual Giving Challenge was a resounding success. Thank you for helping us reach our goal of 90 percent parent participation (we are currently at 96 percent). As a result, Hill School will receive matches totaling \$55,000 from two friends of the school!

POWER OF COMMUNITY
THE HILL SCHOOL ANNUAL FUND



After School Programs

 Kyle's Karate. On Wednesdays beginning in January through May. Junior Kindergarten through Grade 5. [Click here for more information.](#)

 The Coder School. On Thursdays. Kindergarten through Grade 8. January 9 through February 27. [Click here for more information.](#)

Re-Enrollment for 2025-2026

Re-Enrollment for Full Tuition Families

February 3: 2025-2026 contracts will be populated in your Ravenna portal.

February 17: 2025-2026 contracts are due back to ensure spots are held.

Re-Enrollment for Financial Aid Families

November 25: The FAST (Financial Aid for School Tuition) process is open. [Click here to begin.](#)

February 3: Deadline to apply for financial aid.

February/March: Financial aid contracts will be populated in your Ravenna portal.

Contracts are due two weeks after they are issued.

If you have general questions regarding re-enrollment please contact [Kelly Johnson](#). If you have questions about financial aid or payment plans please contact [Sarah Schroder](#).

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.

THE CLASSIFIEDS

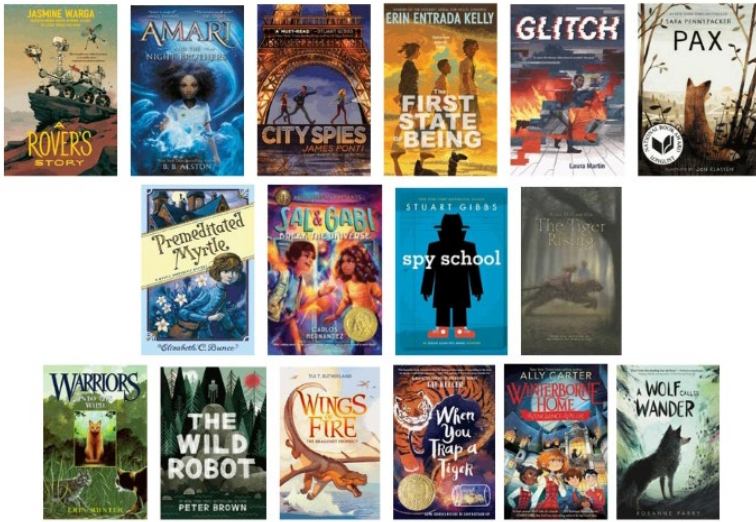
- Help Needed: Elderly Upperville couple in search of part-time help several days a week with light housework, some meals, and errands. Flexible hours. Call Alexandra at 202-538-3050.
- For Rent: Lovely and spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment available on 100+ acre farm. Conveniently located less than 10 minutes from Middleburg, Marshall, and The Plains for \$1,900 per month. Please contact 540-287-8881 for more information!
- Available: Alexandra Snyman is available to babysitting (kids and pets). CPR, AED, and First Aid certified. Please text 571-375-6432 for more information.
- For Rent: One cottage and separate apartment located on 30-acre property in Upperville. Available in January. Contact Hill parent of alumni Peggy Bonsee at 540-270-2870 or email pbonsee@aol.com.

ATHLETICS
@ Hill

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

Thursday, January 16

- JV Boys Basketball vs. Wakefield @ Wakefield. Game @ 3 p.m. Dismissal @ 4:45 p.m.
- V Boys Basketball vs. Wakefield @ Wakefield. Game @ 4 p.m. Dismissal at 5:45 p.m.
- V Girls Basketball vs. Wakefield @ Hill. Game @ 3 p.m. Dismissal at 4:15 p.m.



Book Madness

2025

4TH THROUGH 8TH GRADES

Don't forget that Book Madness is still underway! The reading portion, to try and win a free ice cream day, is going on through February. Encourage your friends to read as many Book Madness books as possible! Reading and AR quizzes must be completed by February 20th. The grade with the most books read is the winner!

The voting portion for Book Madness will start at the end of January. All 4th through 8th graders may participate in the voting. Contact Mrs. Butu if you have any questions at: mbutu@thehillsschool.org.

Donated goods can be dropped off in the Front Office.

Please join us in supporting Foxcroft School.

MLK Jr. Day of Service Non-Perishable Food Drive

January 7-14, 2025

Most Needed Items:

- Healthy soups
- Packaged foods (seeds, nuts, oats, granola, rice, quinoa, beans, pasta)
- Canned fruit (in fruit juice instead of syrup if possible)
- Canned vegetables (low in sodium if possible)
- Plastic jar foods (nut/seed butters, jelly, cooking oil)
- Spaghetti and spaghetti sauce
- Shelf-stable milk (rice, almond, regular milk, for example)
- Healthy cereals, and oatmeal.



Contact: Ranata Davis, Dean of Inclusive Excellence at Foxcroft School

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A WIDER CIRCLE

This non-perishable food drive is on behalf of A Wider Circle. This organization provides nutritious food to one of our region's food deserts, Washington Highlands in Southeast, DC.



Getting to Know You

Getting to Know All About You

Join the [Education School Life Committee \(ESLC\)](#) as they introduce us to the faculty and staff of Hill. Check out the Take Note every other week or so for more profiles of familiar faces on campus. Put names to faces, learn their roles, and some fun facts.

Kim Renneker

4th Grade Homeroom



Years at Hill: 7

Favorite ice cream flavor:
Cookies and Cream.

When I was young I wanted to be a:
Marine biologist.

Fun fact : I worked for the Redskins for a summer.

Harrison Schroder

7th Grade Homeroom

Upper School Science
Upper School Sports



Years at Hill: 7

Favorite ice cream flavor:
Moose Tracks.

When I was young I wanted to be an:
Actuary.

Fun fact: Only time I have ever skied was to graduate from Middlebury College. It was a freezing and I was wearing a Chewbacca onesie.

Zach Roszel

Athletic Director



Years at Hill: 7

Favorite ice cream flavor:
Cookie Dough.

When I was young I wanted to be a:
Professional Athlete

Fun fact: My wife and I met when we were in second grade.

Will Roszel

Sports
Transportation



Years at Hill: 7

Favorite ice cream flavor:
Cookies and Cream.

When I was young I wanted to be a:
NBA Basketball Player.

Fun fact: I am the younger and funnier Roszel brother.