Welcome to the new Parish Hill News Bulletin! We hope to keep Parish Hill Parents/Guardians informed of what is “Happening on the Hill”. This is a new initiative to increase communication via weekly email about daily activities and events. This news bulletin will replace many of the ConnectEd phone messages. Continue to watch for bulletins to be sent every Friday. If you do not wish to receive this weekly news bulletin, please email your request back to newsletter@parishhill.org.

- The Helping Hands Food Drive will be held November 16th—20th. Donations of non-perishable food and frozen turkeys will be accepted. Grades will be competing against one another. Each item is worth one point. Extra point items are worth 5 points if they are brought in on the days listed below:
  Monday: pie crust/pie filling, Tuesday: stuffing, Wednesday: cranberry sauce/canned veggies, Thursday: instant mashed potatoes/gravy, Friday: pasta/pasta sauce

- The Helping Hands Holiday Assistance Program is accepting applications. Deadline date is November 16th. Applications and more information can be found at www.parishhill.org.

- Thanksgiving Dance for grades 7-9 will be held Friday, November 20th from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm in the cafeteria. The cost is $6 with $1 off the cost with the giving of a canned good or dressed in fall colors. Refreshments will be served and special guest, Dan Caron known as Etroned Entertainment, will be the DJ.

- The Senior Class is selling Holiday Wreaths. Wreaths are 12 inches in diameter, with a red velvet weather-proof ribbon. Each wreath costs $15.00 and will be available for pick-up on Thursday, December 3rd. Please contact Mr. or Mrs. Tillona (senior class advisors) if interested.
Yearbooks are on sale: The cost of each yearbook is $60 and they will be given out at the end of May. Any student interested in purchasing a yearbook must do so before January 1st. Please contact Mr. or Mrs. Tillona (yearbook advisors) if interested.

The Treasure Chest, PHHS’s school store, is open for business Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the end of each lunch. Items for sale include school supplies, items for lockers, games, crafts and gifts, all at reasonable prices. The store is located in the auditorium hallway where students can always find Mrs. Tague and the Life Skills Class who are more than happy to assist customers.

Senior News: Seniors should be actively work on their college applications and post-high school plans. Mr. Miller will help throughout this process. Several students with early college application deadlines have already applied and some have been accepted! Those who are currently working on applications, have not started applications or are undecided should make an appointment with Mr. Miller ASAP.

Junior News: Any junior or senior with a 2.7 GPA may sign up for a free college class at Quinebaug Valley Community College. The QVCC High School Partnership Program for the spring 2016 semester is now accepting applications. See Mr. Miller in Student Services for an application or with any questions.

High School Parents: Each year students are responsible for class dues. Payments are due and can be given to your son’s/daughter’s Class Advisor. Class dues make it possible for students to participate in class sponsored activities for example, class trip, prom, picnics, etc.

In our effort to increase parent communication we would like your feedback. Please complete a VERY BRIEF survey at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CTKX53X  Thank you!

SPORTS NEWS:
- Girls middle school basketball tryouts, November 13-18 from 2:30-4:15
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- All students interested in trying out must have turned in the winter sports permission form and a current physical on-file with the school nurse.

EXCITING NEWS:
- Parish Hill is very excited to welcome Ms. Rock as our new Chorus Teacher! She comes to us with great enthusiasm and a passion for music.
Congratulations to the Parish Hill Chamber Choir for their first public performance of 2015-2016 at the Veteran’s Day Luncheon! The choir sang the National Anthem beautifully as guests honored the memorial. Members of the ensemble include Zoe Blanchard, Allison Bourassa, Emma Burnham, Lauren Foster, Cassie Haddad, Kayla Haddad, Sara Harper, Cassidy Martin, and Gracie Martin.

On Friday, November 13th, 50 students from the Business, Fine Arts and World Language programs are traveling to NYC to visit a Picasso exhibit, view the Statue of Liberty, Brooklyn Bridge, NYSE & Wall Street, World Trade Center as well as many other sites along the way. The trip will provide students with a unique opportunity to discover the many opportunities a well-rounded education offers them.

On Saturday, November 14th, 11 students from the Music Department will participate in the Eastern Region High Auditions. Best of luck to them! We know they will make Parish Hill proud!!!

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