

Selkirk High School

Values in Action



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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we enter another week of Homelearning, I wish you all the best and, as ever, thank you for doing what you can to keep things going at this time.

Following the first Minister's announcement that teachers will be returning at some point in June to prepare for August re-opening of school, planning is already underway to ensure the safety and effective learning support for all students.

Looking ahead, it is pretty clear that school life will look very different when the school opens its doors- and it is highly likely that groups of students will access school at different times. Therefore, it is certain that Homelearning will continue to play a vital role in the academic year 2020-21.

As we plan ongoing improvements to Homelearning provision, it is of immense value to hear your views and I thank all those parents and carers who have already found time to complete the SHS Homelearning survey (link below). It's excellent to hear about the positives and excellent too to be able to really focus our efforts to improve.

I urge all parents and carers to find a few minutes to complete this with your child: have no doubt, your collective feedback will have an impact on our provision of Homelearning in the coming times. Although getting it right for everyone will always be a challenge - families have such varying pressures and responsibilities (as do teachers) - we need to know what's working for you and for students and what we need to do to improve.

I am confident that at Selkirk High School we will work together to make the best of whatever lies before us. The staff team are upbeat and ready for any challenge; my faith in our young people has never been greater – I am so moved to consider the sacrifice they are making, day after day, and the resilience they are showing. It's not easy but they know their community needs them just now and they are not giving in. Their parents must be pretty amazing too!

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=oyzTzM4Wj0KVQTctawUZKXfy6bm8DINBIPHRCggnDsNUMjdYV0xUTTMwUDdBWllzMzEzUzhXTkdYTC4u>

With thanks – and best wishes to you all and to your wider families,

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