



HT's Update for Families, 05.05.2020

Good afternoon from the Holyrood HS Hub!

Apologies that this is so late in the day. Just something to enjoy at the end of the day.

I hope your day has had some lovely moments today. Lovely to see the sun again albeit from inside the Hub. Really grateful that Holyrood HS has some fabulous outdoor grounds to explore with the children.

Today's update is all about focussing on self-care, which is a message I share with staff, children and families. It is so easy to become overwhelmed, anxious and have down times and we need to give ourselves permission to feel like this.

We just need to have the support in place and know where to source them.

I have attached a few documents sent through by Pam Reid, our school's Educational Psychologist, which I thought you would find really helpful.

Remember we are here for you and you can get in touch through our admin account.

Hope your children are enjoying the engagement with Seesaw. We have our staff meetings yesterday and are so pleased at how the first week has went. There are still a few things to iron out so we are going to continue to post one Daily Challenge a day with teachers giving one piece of feedback each day.

Couple of things I wanted you to be clear about with how we are using Seesaw.

We have added our PSAs (Pupil Support Assistants) to the classes they work with so they can like the children's work. They will not comment on any posts unless they work one to one with a child. When I spoke to the them yesterday they were so excited to be in touch with their children again and I am sure the feeling is mutual!

As an SLT (Senior Leadership Team) we will not be liking or commenting on any posts as the purpose of this platform is for our children and staff to communicate and engage with each other. We will be monitoring the content and checking in regularly through the week as we don't want to miss out on seeing all that's going on.

The SLT's main forms of communication will continue to be Twitter, our website and through our admin account.

We are having another set of staff meetings in a couple of weeks to evaluate again and will keep you updated with any news.

Off to cover breaks for the wonderful Hub staff just now so will leave you in peace for today.

Keep well, stay safe and keep in touch.

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