January 2020 IT Newsletter

December IT Security Star

December was a busy month for the IT Security email account with over 144 notifications!   The volume of suspected suspicious emails has increased in the past 2 months which means you are more aware, cautious and thinking before clicking! December's IT Security Star Winner is **Crystal Shullman!** If you want to be in our monthly draw, keep forwarding the suspicious emails <u>with your explanation</u> to itsecurity@selkirk.ca for your chance to win.

Project Initiation Services

You were recently sent an email about IT's new Project Initiation Service. This service was developed to help the Selkirk College community with all your technical projects. We are actively working on a formal intake process and advisory committees to encourage broad based collaboration on our technical priorities. If your department or school has a project you would like to kick off in the next few months, please follow the link below and fill out our project form to get started. https://forms.selkirk.ca/view.php?id=59095

Jira and Confluence Update

We are moving forward towards the implementation of a knowledge base and new service desk ticketing system. We are excited about the new functionality of this system and hope to introduce it to you near the end of February.

Discovery Day Update

IT Services has invited special guest, Mr. Hugh Burley, Director of Information Security at TRU to our 2020 Discovery Day! Hugh Burley has kindly volunteered to present in two sessions on the topic of Privacy and Security Awareness. We highly recommend staff enroll in his sessions as they will have a great deal of information related to privacy and being aware of the current cyber threat landscape.

2020 Facts about Cyber Security – Did you know?

1. By 2020, security services are expected to account for 50% of Cybersecurity Budgets.
2. 82% of employers report a shortage of cybersecurity skills.
3. Hackers attack every 39 SECONDS on an average 2,244 times a day.