process_messages - Process the files in the messages folder.

DESCRIPTION

Synopsis:

process_messages.py

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Process the files in the messages folder and any attachments. For each message file, read the contents and extract the commands and data. Generate from this information the trigger files. If the command needs any attachments, add that information to the trigger file.

If the command is for a system admin task, generate a trigger file for the system admin task.

All files are processed first and when finished, the trigger files will start the necessary scripts.

Arguments:

None

Return:

0 -- Normal exit

Run info:

This program must be run by the process_messages.sh script only.

See also:

Version:

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FUNCTIONS

get_filename_ext(filepath)

Get the filename and it's extension from a given filename.

Extracts from the given filepath, the filename and the extension and return them as a two elements.

Arguments:

Return:

filename, fileext -- Return tuple with filename and extension

initialise()

Initialise this program.

From the dotenv set of variables, get the logging level. Set the logging level depending on the DEBUG variable from the dotenv secrets file.

Arguments:

None

Return:

None

main()

Main control of the program.

Initialise the program setting global variable values. Process the message files and return a list of message files that can be deleted. This process creates one or more 'command' files that are used by other scripts to perform specific functions. If there are any message files to be deleted, remove them.

Arguments:

None

Return:

0 -- OK

process_data(text_data, mesg_prefix)

Process the data taken from a file in the messages folder.

The data consists of the lines of text taken from the email message. Each line is considered to be an instruction with the first word being the command and the rest of the line the data to be used. The command is tested in lowercase to avoid any upper and lower case problems. Appropriate trigger files are created depending on the command and data provided.

Arguments:

text_data -- The text data (multiple lines) to be processed.
mesg_prefix -- Prefix of the message file being processed.

Return:

None

process_files()

Process all files in the "messages" folder.

If no files in the message folder, exit this function with empty list of files to remove. This function only deals with message files with the extension ".html" and ".txt". Any files not having the correct file extension are ignored and are deleted.

HTML files are converted to text using the "html2text" utility. If a .txt file has a corresponding .html file, it is ignored, otherwise the file contents is used.

The text data is then processed by the "process_data" function.

Arguments:

None

Return

remove_list -- The list of message files that are to be deleted.

remove_files(remove_list)

Remove all the files that are in the removal list given.

Arguments:

remove_list -- The list of files to be removed.

Return:

None

update_debug_var(param_list)

Update the DEBUG variable in the dotenv file.

Arguments:

param_list -- List of words that were on the same line as the ${\tt DEBUG}$ command.

Return:

None.

update_email_auth(email_list)

Update the authorised email list in the dotenv file.

This given list will be converted to a list variable. The email addresses are checked for having at least one @ sign it them. If not correct, then the variable is not updated.

Arguments:

Return:

None

write_adm_file(parm_cmnd, parm_data, parm_atch)

Write the date to the System Admin management trigger file.

Arguments:

 $parm_cmnd$ -- Command to write to the file

parm_data -- Data to write to the file

parm_atch -- Attachment file name to write to the file

Return:

None

write_google_data(rest_of_list)

Write the running_next data for a Google slides show.

Using the data in the "rest_of_list" parameter, check first that it is for a Google Slide show by ensuring it has the right DNS name in the URL. If not, error message and remove any existing run_next file.

Write the two environment variables to the next presentation to run. The variables are RUN_CMND and RUN_DATA, where RUN_CMND is set to 'google'. Add the command 'export' to the variables so that they can be used in a Python or other program,

Arguments:

rest_of_list -- The remainder of the line from the email data

Return:

None

write_manage_next(p_fileprefix, p_cmnd, p_data)

Write the System Admin manage_next file.

The p_data is unravelled using the csv module methods. This will result in a list within a list. It contains the command and data provided.

The attachment files are checked and the one with the filename that starts with the file prefix parameter is selected. If found, that is used in the manage_next trigger file.

Arguments:

p_fileprefix -- Filename prefix used for finding attachment

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p\_cmnd -- Management command p\_data -- Data for the management command
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Return:

None

write_next_file(parm_cmnd, parm_data)

Write the command and data to the running next trigger file.

Arguments:

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parm_cmnd -- Command to write to the file
parm_data -- Data to write to the file
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Return:

None

write_pp_impress_data(fileprefix)

Write a PowerPoint or Impress running_next file.

Get a list of attachments from the attachment folder and search this list for a file that starts with the file same prefix as the message and ends with the suffix for PowerPoint or Impress.

If not found, exit the function with a False value. Ensure that the message filename goes into the list of messages to delete. Log this condition.

Arguments:

fileprefix — The string that should be at the start of the attachment file.

Return:

None

write_run_file(p_filedata)

Get the RUN filename and copy from permanent file to running_next

Using the data given with the RUN command, if there is any data and if the data is a file name in the permanent folder, copy the permanent file to the running-next file. This will trigger the start of that presentation.

Arguments:

p_filedata -- Filename data from the RUN command in the message

Return:

None