

# NEWSLETTER



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9<sup>th</sup> January 2020

## In memory of Praise-Emmanuel Diya

Praise-Emmanuel was gentle, kind and caring, with a great sense of humour. He was a bright young man who worked hard, was always smiling and was a role model for his peers around school. He was also a key member of the school football team.

Our hearts go out to Mrs Diya and her daughter who are left in an unimaginable situation. We feel bewildered and powerless in the face of this senseless tragedy. And we are left with an inexplicable gap in his form group, Emmanuel's year group and in our school community as a whole.



After Christmas, Emmanuel's friends and his Director of Study, Mr Martin, liaised with the football club, Manchester City, which Emmanuel supported so avidly. As part of the Club's memorial fixture on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December, when it remembered City fans who passed during the year, a minute's silence was held and Praise-Emmanuel Diya's name, along with that of his father and sister, were shown on the stadium display ribbon. Further tributes have been planned by students across the year groups which highlights the impact Emmanuel had on our school community.

Our return to school in the New Year was subdued. Year 11 joined together in an assembly first thing on Monday morning to grieve together and mourn our loss. We miss him desperately, but on Friday afternoon, we will have the opportunity to celebrate Praise-Emmanuel's life in a Memorial Assembly that a group of his friends are organising with Mr Martin, and with his senior mentor, Ms Fuwa and his form tutor, Miss Bellingham. Together - students, staff, former staff, governors, the Diya family and their friends and colleagues - we will celebrate and remember this wonderful young man and treasure the years we had with him.



Words of condolence can be left at: [Praise-Emmanuel Diya condolences.](#)



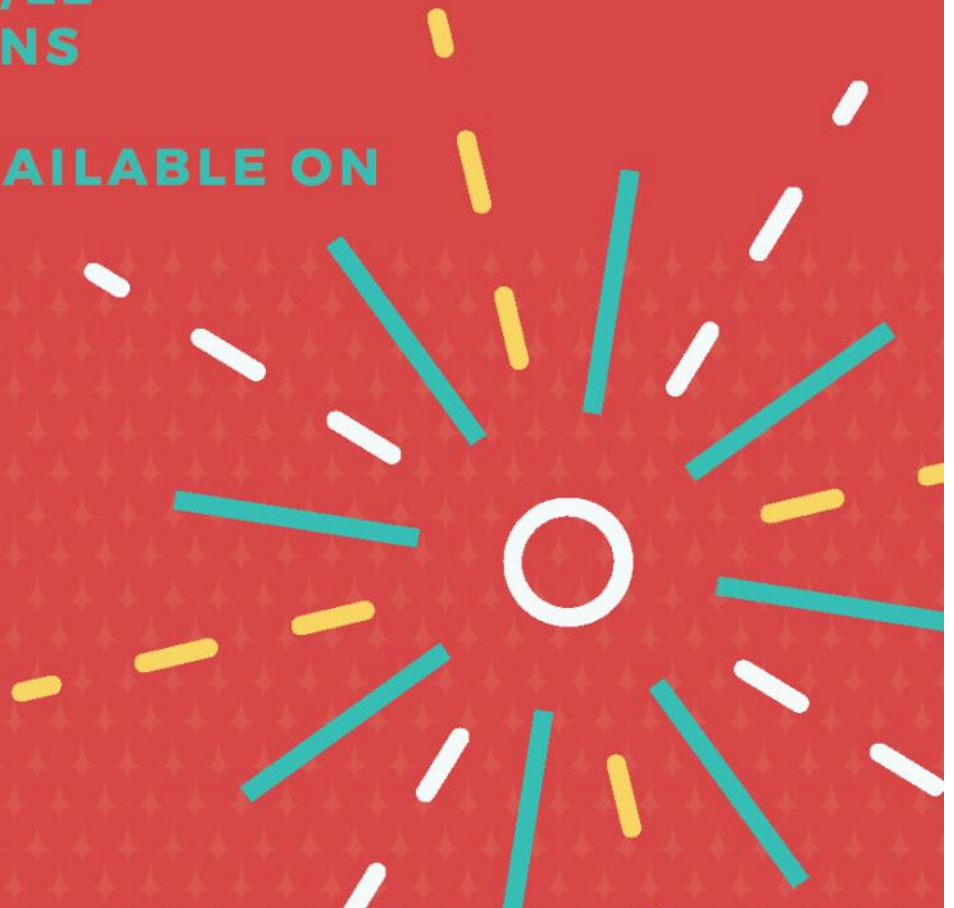
**BEXLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL MUSIC  
DEPARTMENT PRESENTS**

# **KS4 SHOWCASE CONCERT**

**28TH JANUARY 2020, 6PM**

**TICKETS: £3/£2  
CONCESSIONS**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE ON  
THE DOOR.**







Dear Parents/ Carers,

You may find the graphic below useful when monitoring your child's social media activity, especially if they've just got a new phone for Christmas!

*Mr Gilmore, Deputy Head & Designated Safeguarding Lead*

# FIFTEEN APPS

## PARENTS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

### MEETME



MEETME IS A DATING SOCIAL MEDIA APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO CONNECT WITH PEOPLE BASED ON GEOGRAPHIC PROXIMITY. AS THE APP'S NAME SUGGESTS, USERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO MEET EACH OTHER IN PERSON.

### GRINDR



GRINDR IS A DATING APP GEARED TOWARDS GAY, BI AND TRANSGENDER PEOPLE. THE APP GIVES USERS OPTIONS TO CHAT, SHARE PHOTOS AND MEET UP BASED ON A SMART PHONE'S GPS LOCATION.

### SKOUT



SKOUT IS A LOCATION-BASED DATING APP AND WEBSITE. WHILE USERS UNDER 17-YEARS-OLD ARE UNABLE TO SHARE PRIVATE PHOTOS, KIDS CAN EASILY CREATE AN ACCOUNT USING A DIFFERENT AGE.

### WHATSAPP



WHATSAPP IS A POPULAR MESSAGING APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO SEND TEXTS, PHOTOS, MAKE CALLS AND VIDEO CHATS WORLDWIDE. WHATSAPP USES AN INTERNET CONNECTION ON SMART PHONES AND COMPUTERS.

### TIKTOK



TIKTOK IS A NEW MOBILE DEVICE APP POPULAR WITH KIDS USED FOR CREATING AND SHARING SHORT VIDEOS, WITH VERY LIMITED PRIVACY CONTROLS. USERS ARE VULNERABLE TO BULLYING AND EXPLICIT CONTENT.

### BADOO



BADOO IS A DATING AND SOCIAL NETWORKING APP WHERE USERS CAN CHAT, SHARE PHOTOS AND VIDEOS AND CONNECT BASED ON LOCATION. WHILE THE APP IS INTENDED FOR ADULTS ONLY, TEENS ARE KNOWN TO CREATE PROFILES.

### BUMBLE



BUMBLE IS SIMILAR TO THE POPULAR DATING APP 'TINDER' HOWEVER, IT REQUIRES WOMEN TO MAKE THE FIRST CONTACT. KIDS HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO USE BUMBLE TO CREATE FAKE ACCOUNTS AND FALSIFY THEIR AGE.

### SNAPCHAT



SNAPCHAT IS ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR APPS IN RECENT YEARS. WHILE THE APP PROMISES USERS CAN TAKE A PHOTO/VIDEO AND IT WILL DISAPPEAR, NEW FEATURES INCLUDING 'STORIES' ALLOW USERS TO VIEW CONTENT FOR UP TO 24

### KIK



KIK ALLOWS ANYONE TO CONTACT AND DIRECT MESSAGE YOUR CHILD. KIDS CAN BYPASS TRADITIONAL TEXT MESSAGING FEATURES. KIK GIVES USERS UNLIMITED ACCESS TO ANYONE, ANYWHERE, ANYTIME.

### LIVE.ME



LIVE.ME IS A LIVE-STREAMING VIDEO APP THAT USES GEOLOCATION TO SHARE VIDEOS SO USERS CAN FIND OUT A BROADCASTER'S EXACT LOCATION. USERS CAN EARN 'COINS' AS A WAY TO 'PAY' MINORS FOR PHOTOS.

### HOLLA



HOLLA IS A SELF-PROCLAIMED 'ADDICTING' VIDEO CHAT APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO MEET PEOPLE ALL OVER THE WORLD IN JUST SECONDS. REVIEWERS SAY THEY HAVE BEEN CONFRONTED WITH RACIAL SLURS, EXPLICIT CONTENT AND MORE.

### WHISPER



WHISPER IS AN ANONYMOUS SOCIAL NETWORK THAT PROMOTES SHARING SECRETS WITH STRANGERS. IT ALSO REVEALS A USER'S LOCATION SO PEOPLE CAN MEET UP.

### ASK.FM



ASK.FM IS KNOWN FOR CYBER BULLYING. THE APP ENCOURAGES USERS TO ALLOW ANONYMOUS PEOPLE TO ASK THEM QUESTIONS.

### CALCULATOR%



CALCULATOR% IS ONLY ONE OF SEVERAL SECRET APPS USED TO HIDE PHOTOS, VIDEOS, FILES AND BROWSER HISTORY.

### HOT OR NOT



HOT OR NOT ENCOURAGES USERS TO RATE YOUR PROFILE, CHECK OUT PEOPLE IN THEIR AREA, AND CHAT WITH STRANGERS. THE GOAL OF THIS APP IS TO HOOK UP.



Parents'  
Association

## DONATION REQUEST



Are you taking on the Dry January challenge, decided on a healthy start to the New Year and need to get rid of all temptation that stands in your way?

Any Christmas gifts you received that are 'surplus' to your requirements? Too many socks, perfume that's not quite you or your bathroom cupboard is overflowing with bath bombs?



If you have unopened bottles of alcohol or unwanted gifts that you'd like to donate, we'll be happy to take them off you to be used as prizes for fund raising events and the Summer Fayre.

Please send any of your donations to BGS PA through the School Reception. If you prefer to hand them directly to the PA, please do come along to our next meeting in the Sixth Form Centre on Wednesday 22nd January, at 7.30pm or contact [eventsbexleygs@gmail.com](mailto:eventsbexleygs@gmail.com) to arrange delivery or possible collection.





2020 ~ Happy New Year  
to all our readers

BGS School Field

## Forthcoming Events

### January 2020

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Memorial Assembly ~ School will finish at 2:15 pm**

-1.25pm - Year 13

-2.15pm - Years 7, 8, 9 and 12

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> ~ Week A**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>**

Year 12 Parents' Evening, 4pm to 6.30pm

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>**

PA Meeting, 7.30pm Sixth Form Centre ~ see notice

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>**

KS4 Showcase Concert, 6pm ~ see notice

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>**

Inset Day ~ School closed to students

### February

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February**

Year 9 Parents' Evening, 4pm to 6.30pm

