



Beths Grammar School

an 11 – 18 selective school with academy status

Headteacher: Mr R J Blyghton

20th February 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are writing to make you aware of a concerning social media trend that has recently been circulating on TikTok and other social media platforms.

The trend encourages young people from two different schools to form online “teams” and gain points by confronting or harming students from schools that are assigned to an opposing “team.” We are aware that this trend originated in the London Borough of Hackney a few weeks ago and unfortunately then resulted in a serious incident where a student was attacked by a group of students from another school.

Please be reassured that we are actively monitoring the situation and have been liaising with the local borough (Bexley LA) and other local schools to ensure that students are safe across Bexley.

Whilst students are not in school, you can support your child by taking a few practical steps to ensure they are safe from harms such as this:

- Talk with your child about what they are seeing online and remind them to avoid engaging with (or sharing) any content that incites harmful or violent behaviours, including “targeting” other students and schools
- Remind your child that trends such as these can very quickly escalate and may carry ‘real world,’ consequences, even if they are promoted or framed as a “game”
- Reassure your child that if they see something online that is concerning or worrying or they are contacted or pressured to become involved in such trends, they should tell a trusted adult at home or in school immediately
- Where possible continue to use parental controls and privacy settings on your child’s devices and social media accounts
- Actively and regularly monitor online activity and discuss any emerging issues with your child

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When we return to school next week, we will of course discuss this (and similar online trends) with all students and reiterate our expectations regarding behaviours outside of school. Indeed, any form of unacceptable behaviour including intimidation, violence or harmful online activity will be treated as very serious and followed up in line with our school behaviour policy.

We remain committed to educating our young people in relation to matters such as this and your continued support as parents in keeping our school community safe is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. Jones', written in a cursive style.

Mr A. Jones
Deputy Headteacher