

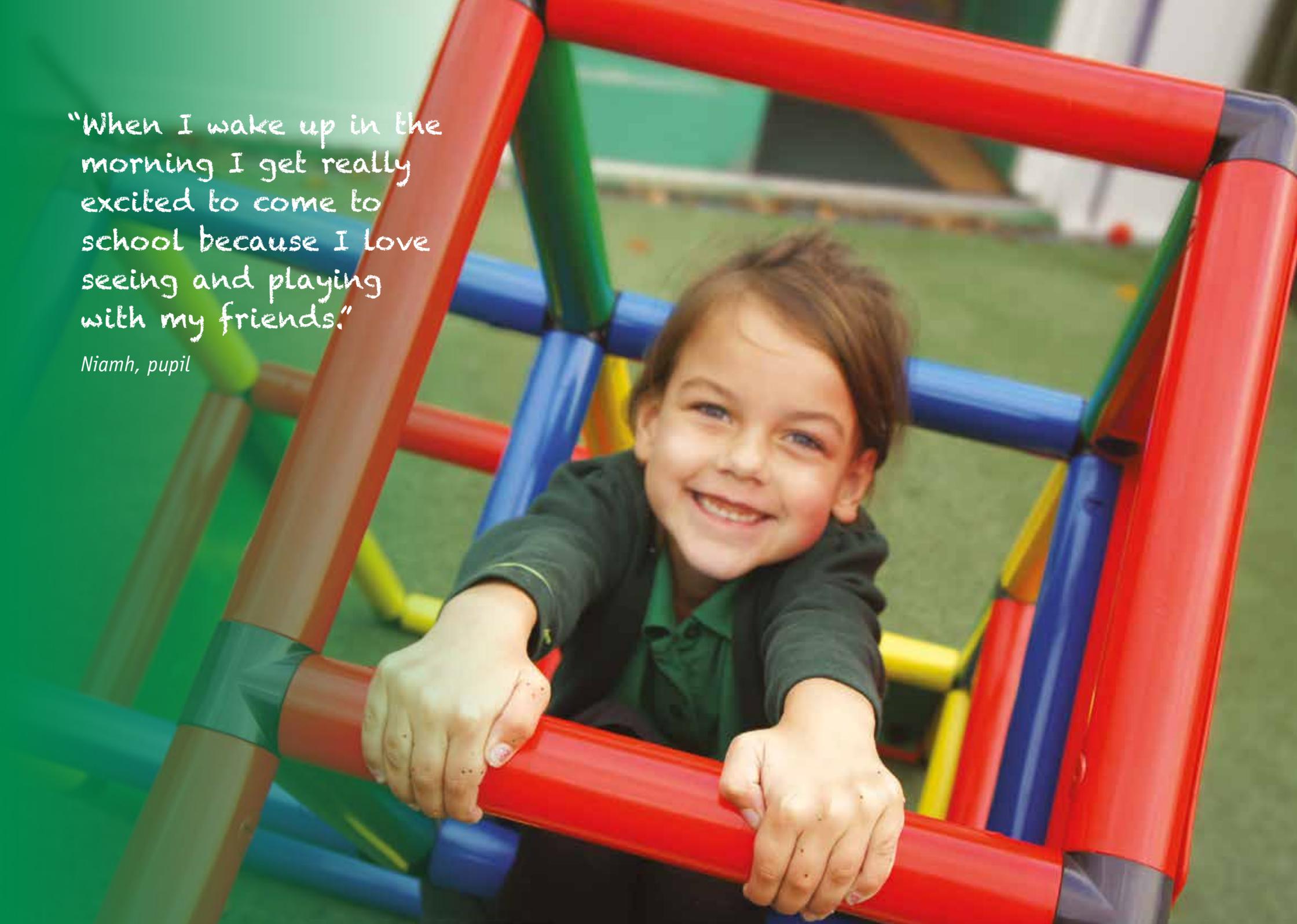
Our school prospectus

EYTON CHURCH IN WALES VOLUNTARY CONTROLLED SCHOOL



EYTON

Tomorrow's success begins today



"When I wake up in the morning I get really excited to come to school because I love seeing and playing with my friends."

Niamh, pupil

Welcome to our prospectus. Thank you for taking the time to look at it, we hope it gives you an idea of what Eyton School is like. Enjoy reading it and if there is anything more you would like to know more about, please call and just ask. We are proud of our motto: *'Tomorrow's success begins today'*. Please do come and see the school for yourselves, we would be happy to welcome you.

FROM EVERYONE AT EYTON CHURCH IN WALES VOLUNTARY CONTROLLED SCHOOL

Hello from
us all



Ethos and aims

We all work hard
to be the best
we can be



Core principles



"My school is special because we have fantastic teachers and when you learn something new they make you feel good about yourself."

William, pupil

School values

- We promote a strong sense of community underpinned by Christian values
- We promote a healthy lifestyle by making independent and well informed choices
- We provide a safe and secure environment to enable children to grow both morally and intellectually
- We equip children with an understanding and respect of their own and others needs and achievements
- We encourage children to be part of our community and to be actively involved in it's development
- We encourage children to value the heritage and culture of Wales

Teaching and learning

- We encourage all children to be engaged, excited and enthused
- We recognise all children's individual needs
- We aid all children to work to the best of their ability
- We celebrate all our children's efforts and achievements
- We motivate the children through learning that is relevant and stimulating
- A high quality curriculum gives children opportunities to apply the literacy and numeracy skills they have learned

Our School

- Through a rich curricular and extracurricular programme, and strong links with community, we will help each child discover and develop their talents and interests
- We believe in collective ownership and developing leadership throughout the organisation
- We will use every appropriate opportunity to unify our school and develop a strong family school culture
- We work closely with our feeder secondary school, The Maelor School, Penley to ensure a smooth transition for our children



Teaching and learning



Our teachers make learning fun

Our curriculum

Our school is committed to providing a personalised curriculum with the individual child at the heart of everything we do. We embrace our children's interests, talents, strengths and needs. Our teachers bring the curriculum alive by making links between the individual subject and applying them to topics.

Our children are encouraged to be independent learners. They are given opportunities to develop important skills and attitudes such as resilience, resourcefulness, respect and cooperation.

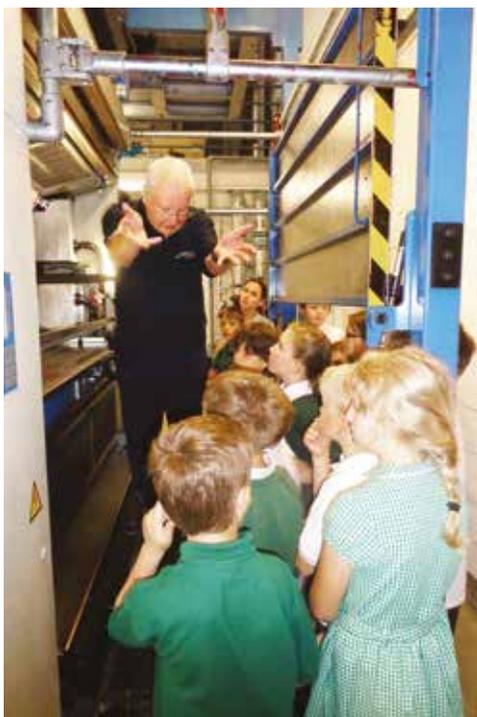
Our curriculum is designed to reflect our aims and to meet the requirements of the National Curriculum, Foundation Phase Framework and other government guidance.

Specialist tuition

Our children benefit from regular specialist tuition including Art, Cricket, Forest School, Football, Gardening, Library Skills, Music, PE, Singing, Swimming, Technology, Tennis and many others.

"Eyton School gives our children the opportunities to learn in a happy environment" *James, parent*





"We feel lucky that our children go to Eyton. The environment is special and allows for a range of activities that add great value. But what we love most is that our children are happy here."

Sarah, parent



Outside school

We enjoy strong links with other local schools, charities and nearby businesses. This allows us plenty of opportunities to develop projects in our wider community. We visit our local church, St Deiniol's to celebrate Harvest, Christmas and Easter with our village.

We also benefit from going to residential and day school visits. Recent adventures include apple picking at Erddig, North West Newspaper Printers, Llangollen Eisteddfod, Chester Roman Experience and residentials to Cardiff and Nantyr Outdoor Education Centre.



School and home

Our school has an 'in it together' attitude to learning. We believe in letting parents and carers know what and how we are learning. We encourage two-way dialogue between school and home and support this through Parents' Evenings, workshop meetings, curriculum information, 'learning diaries' such as reading records and invitations to our information evenings and pupil progress meetings. We also believe that homework can help reinforce what we learn at school. All our children get homework, but teachers are careful to make sure that it is kept to an appropriate level. It helps children establish a homework routine.

Out Parent-Teachers Association (PTA)

Our PTA is an invaluable asset to our small school. They raise funds at annual events including the Christmas and Summer Fairs which are our children's highlights of the year. Funds raised are used to supplement resources such as playground equipment, school trips and other nice to haves.



We learn lots of different things outside

Activities

There are many different activities to do at school



Break times

Eyton School run a "Buddies" Leadership Programme which develops basic leadership skills and teaches older children how to create their own safe, fun games that can be played in the playground with the younger children.

Extra-curricular activities

A large number of our clubs and activities are run free of charge by our teachers. Others are offered for a small charge by external specialists and teachers. Clubs vary depending on demand and the season, but regularly include: Art, Badminton, Choir, Cricket, Football, Gardening, Glass Making, Music, Rugby, Netball, Performing Arts, Photography, Recorder, Robotics, Zumba and many more.

Breakfast club

At Eyton School, we offer our children a free place in Breakfast Club. The children can have breakfast in a safe, friendly environment. The club is available from 8.00am which allows parents the flexibility whilst ensuring children enjoy a healthy, active start to the school day.

After School Care

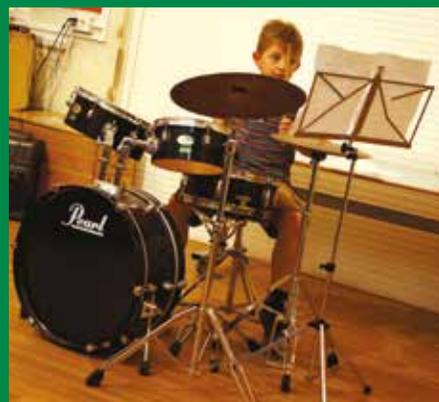
Eyton Extras provides high quality childcare which is affordable and accessible for after school hours. The service is designed to be "parent friendly" and to fit in with your lifestyle either as a working parent, in training or as a parent who wants a break. Our parents have informed us how they value and appreciate these services.





"The clubs
are a good
chance to do
something
new."

Martin, pupil



Facilities

Our hall is the heart of our school

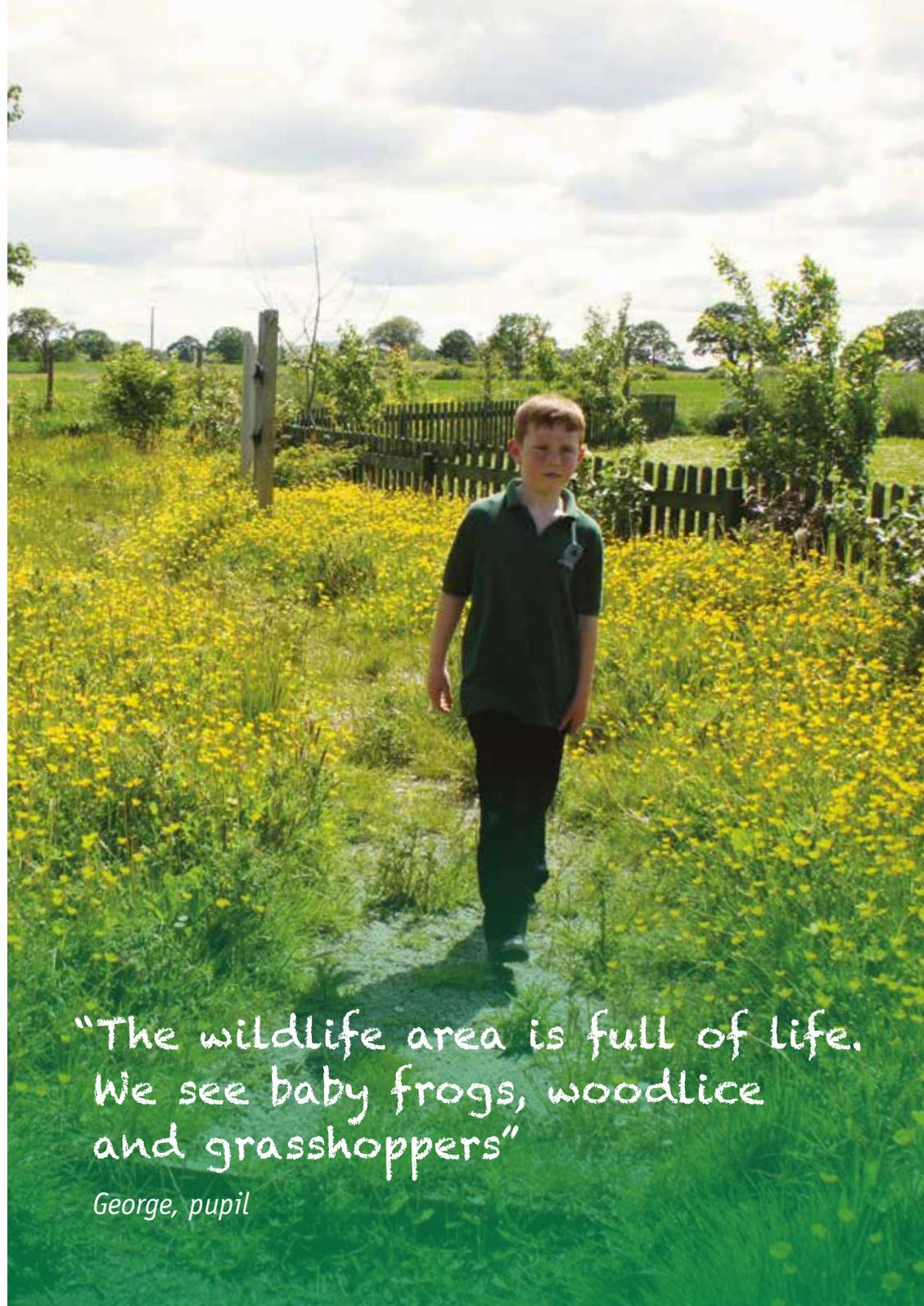




At Eyton we have computers and a book corner in each classroom. There is a well stocked main library which is used by all children throughout our school. Assemblies are in the school hall which is also used for PE, plays and music. There is a dedicated room that is used for science technology and home economics.



At Eyton School we have big playing fields and a large conservation area which we use as an outside classroom. In addition to our conservation area, we have a vegetable garden where we grow everything from flowers to vegetables. We also have plenty of apparatus to play on in the playgrounds including a wooden climbing frame and friendship swing.



"The wildlife area is full of life. We see baby frogs, woodlice and grasshoppers"

George, pupil

Well-being



"If my friends are upset, I hug them to make them feel better"

Jorja, pupil



Being happy and healthy
Ensuring a happy, healthy environment in which our children enjoy learning is central to our ethos. We do our utmost to make it easy for children to approach staff with their problems or concerns.

We teach that bullying is never acceptable behaviour. We promote healthy eating, provide milk for children in the infants and encourage everyone to drink water throughout the day. We make the most of our wonderful outdoor space and, weather permitting, head outside as often as we can.



Eco Committee
The Eyton School has a very successful Eco-Committee. It is a pupil led programme that leads eco activities in our school. We are now working towards our fourth Green Flag Award!



Eyton School Council
We are a group of children elected by our fellow pupils to represent their opinions and ideas. The school council take forward projects and make things happen!



I like it when people help people

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Our School

Our school is in the village of Eyton, on the outskirts of Wrexham. It serves a wide rural community which includes Eyton, Erbistock, Gyfelia, Penylan and Ruabon. The school has good road links with easy access to the A483.



"Come to our school and have the time of your life"

Tia, pupil