## St Catherines Catholic Primary School, Lowton Teaching Assistant Level 1 - Lunchtime Person Specification

Applicants for the post of Teaching Assistant Level 1 - Lunchtime at St Catherines Catholic Primary School, Lowton must be able to meet all the essential criteria and will hopefully be able to meet many of the desirable criteria as outlined below:-

ESSENTIAL	<ul> <li>Have the ability to communicate with and relate well to children and adults</li> <li>Basic level of numeracy and literacy</li> <li>To like children and to have a genuine care for their welfare</li> <li>Have a calm and patient manner</li> <li>Have good listening skills</li> <li>Be able to set a good example to the pupils through his or her presentation and personal and professional conduct</li> <li>To be able to encourage children in their play</li> <li>Have the ability to work under supervision and as a team member</li> <li>Have the ability to work in accordance with the schools health and safety policies</li> <li>Have an awareness of child protection issues</li> <li>Have sympathy with the distinctiveness of a Christian Primary School</li> <li>Legally entitled to work in the UK</li> </ul>
DESIRABLE	<ul> <li>Experience of working and interacting with children of a relevant age and learning need</li> <li>NVQ level 2 or equivalent qualification for teaching assistant or willingness to work towards</li> <li>Willingness to undertake basic first aid</li> <li>Knowledge of basic health and safety</li> <li>Some knowledge of children's games and activities</li> <li>Understanding of child development and learning processes</li> </ul>