

PERSON SPECIFICATION1

Job Title: Teaching Assistant – Level 1

	Selection criteria (Essential)	Selection criteria (Desirable)	How Assessed
Education & Qualifications	NVQ 2 for Teaching Assistants or equivalent qualification or experience		AF/I
	Literacy and Numeracy skills equivalent to Level 1 of the National Qualification & Credit Framework		AF/I
	Completion of Department for Education Teacher Assistant Induction Programme (or to complete within first term)		AF/I
	Willingness to undertake training in relevant learning strategies		AF/I
	Paediatric First Aid certificate		AF/I
Experience	Working with or caring for children of a relevant age to those in the school	SEND Experience	AF/I
	Experience of working with learning resources and helping with their preparation to support learning programmes		AF/I
	Experience of effectively using ICT and other technology such as digital recorders and photocopiers and resolving		AF / I

	straightforward problems in their operation Experience of supporting children with medical/SEND needs	AF/I
Skills & Abilities	Interpersonal skills to build effective working relationships with pupils and colleagues	AF/I
	Communication skills to liaise sensitively and effectively with parents and carers	AF/I
	Team-work skills to work collaboratively with colleagues, understanding classroom roles and responsibilities and your own position within these	AF/I
	To promote a positive ethos and good role model	AF/I
	To continually improve own practice/knowledge through self evaluation and learning from others	AF/I
Knowledge	Basic understanding of a child's development and learning.	AF/I
	Understanding of the relevant policies/codes of practice/ and awareness of relevant legislation in the context of your role	AF/I
	General understanding of national/foundation stage curriculum and other relevant learning programmes/strategies	AF/I
	Understanding of equal opportunities and an awareness of potential barriers children may have around learning	AF/I

Work Circumstances	To work flexibly as the workload demands	AF/I
	Occasional out of hours working to support school functions	AF/I

Abbreviations: AF = Application Form; I = Interview.

NB. - Any candidate with a disability who meets the essential criteria will be guaranteed an interview