Juniper Hill SENDCO / Head of ARP Person Specification

	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
Qualifications	Qualified Teacher Status	SENCO qualification
Previous experience	 Experience of phase leadership or management of a core subject/significant aspect of school life 	 Experience of working in other schools Experience of teaching in different year groups Experience as a SENDCO
Management skills	 Effective communicator with children, staff, parents, governors and visitors Experience as a team member leading colleagues in whole school development 	 Understanding of the role of the governing body Experience of fostering good relations between all members of the school community
Professional Skills and Experience	 Sound knowledge of the primary school curriculum Sound understanding of the ways children learn Track record of improving pupil achievement and attainment An understanding of enabling and supporting staff Proven record of commitment to CPD to improve outcomes for children A clear understanding of managing and supporting the needs of pupils with SEND A clear understanding of safeguarding roles and responsibilities 	 Externally validated qualification eg. NPQML Designated person training Line management of support staff Experience of working with external agencies
Personal Qualities	 Personal and professional philosophy that values each child Excellent role model for staff and pupils Excellent time management, delegation and administrative skills Ability to see the wider picture Proven commitment to strengthening and developing the school community Stamina and resilience Empathy Good record of attendance and punctuality Commitment to equal opportunities 	 Commitment to championing pupils with SEND Commitment to maintaining, introducing and developing a wide range of extra curricular activities for children within the phase