

Special Educational Needs Teaching Assistant Criteria For Selection

Candidates must demonstrate the following:

Essential

- Ability to communicate effectively and accurately both verbally and in writing
- Experience working with children, e.g. previous teaching assistant work, mealtime supervisor, youth work, child minding, voluntary work with disabled groups, nursery nursing
- Some knowledge/understanding of special educational needs
- Ability to form good relationships with adults and children
- Motivation to meet the challenges of working with pupils with special needs
- Adaptability to the changing needs in the classroom
- Commitment to professional development

Desirable

- Experience of working with children in more than one setting
- A relevant qualification, e.g. relevant child development or teaching assistant training
- Warm and friendly personality with good sense of humour
- Experience of working in a team
- Imaginative approach to children's learning