

## Highfields School

Person Specification – Teacher of Science (Biology)

Qualifications		
Honours degree standard or equivalent	Е	Application form/References
Qualified Teacher Status	Е	Application form/References
Experience		
Successful teaching of Science to KS3	Е	Application form/Interview
Successful teaching of Biology to Ks4 and KS5	Е	Application form/Interview
Participation in recent relevant professional development	D	Application form/Interview
Professional knowledge of		
The subject area and other aspects of education relating to it	Е	Application form/Interview
High quality teaching and the main strategies for improving and sustaining high standards of teaching, learning and achievement for all students	Е	Interview
The statutory curriculum requirements and the requirements for assessing, recording and reporting students' attainment and progress	Е	Interview
The implications of the code of practice for special educational needs and disabilities for teaching and learning	Е	Interview
How to use comparative data, together with information about students' prior attainment to establish benchmarks and set targets for improvement	D	Interview
Tracking progress, identification of underachievement and implementation of effective intervention	D	Interview
Awareness of confidentiality issues between home and school	Е	Interview
Commitment to the safeguarding of students and young people	Е	Interview
Understanding of relevant policies and codes of practice, including health and safety requirements	Е	Application form
Professional skills and attributes		
To be part of a team and to work towards common goals	Е	Interview/References
Good and effective communication, with well-developed interpersonal skills to be able to relate well to a wide range of people	Е	Application form/Interview
Ability to prioritise workload, plan time effectively and meet deadlines	Е	Application form/Interview
Excellent organisational skills	Е	Application form/Interview
Adaptability to changing circumstances and new ideas	Е	Application form/Interview
Responsibility for own professional development	Е	Application form/Interview

E = Essential

D = Desirable