

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Teaching Assistant (Level 4 - HLTA)

with responsibility for Social Communication and Interaction

ASSESSMENT METHOD	SHORT-LISTING CRITERIA	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
	Qualifications/ Training		
Application/Interview	HLTA qualified or equivalent (foundation degree)		*
Application/Interview	Level 3 qualification in learning support and is working towards completing a HLTA qualification. (This must be completed within 12 months of appointment.)	*	
Application/Interview	Training in the relevant strategies eg literacy	*	
Application/Interview	Specialist skills / training in curriculum or learning area with an emphasis on ASD	*	
	Skills		
Application/Interview	Ability to work effectively within a team environment, understand classroom roles and responsibilities	*	
Application/Interview	Ability to organise, manage and motivate a team	*	
Application/Interview	Ability to promote a positive ethos and positive role model attributes	*	
Application/Interview	Ability to build effective working relationships with all pupils and colleagues	*	
Application/Interview	Ability to adapt own approach in accordance with pupil needs	*	

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Application/Interview	Ability to work with children at all levels regardless of specific individual need and identify learning styles as appropriate	*
Application/Interview	Excellent numeracy and literacy skills equivalent to NVQ 2 in English and Maths	*
	KNOWLEDGE / EXPERIENCE	
Application/Interview	Working knowledge and experience of implementing national/foundation stage curriculum and other relevant learning programmes/strategies.	*
Application/Interview	Minimum 4 year's experience of working with children in an educational setting within specified age range/ subject area	*
Application/Interview	Good understanding of principles of child development. Learning styles and independent learning. There must be a clear focus on social comuncation and interaction.	*
Application/Interview	Full working knowledge of relevant policies/codes of practice and awareness of relevant legislation	*
Application/Interview	Understanding of statutory frameworks relating to teaching	*
Application/Interview	Experience of resources preparation to support learning programmes	*
Application/Interview	Can use ICT effectively to support learning	*
	PROFESSIONAL VALUES AND PRACTICE	
Application/Interview	High expectations of all pupils; respect for their social, cultural, linguistic, religious and ethnic backgrounds; and commitment to raising their educational achievements	*
Application/Interview	Ability to build and maintain successful relationships with pupils, treat then consistently with respect and consideration and demonstrate concern for their development as learners.	*
Application/Interview	Demonstrate and promote positive value, attitudes and behaviour they expect from the pupils with whom they work.	*

Application/Interview	Able to improve their own practice through observations, evaluation and discussion with colleagues.	*	
Application/Interview	Ability to work collaboratively with colleagues and carry out the role effectively knowing when to seek help and advice	*	
Application/Interview	Ability to liaise sensitively and effectively with parents and carers, recognising role in pupil's learning	*	
Application/Interview	Willingness to participate in relevant training and development opportunities	*	
Application/Interview	Able to follow all safeguarding procedures effectively, understanding all staff have safeguarding responsibilities and expectations.	*	