

## SOLENT SCHOOLS TRUST (GREAT OAKS SCHOOL)

## PERSON SPECIFICATION – CLASS TEACHER

|   | ESSENTIAL  | DESIRABLE  |
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| PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS             | <ul> <li>Qualified teacher Status</li> <li>A degree in a relevant discipline (not necessary for<br/>Post 16 teachers)</li> <li>Willingness to undertake further training to develop<br/>skills in teaching pupils with SEN</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Further study in Special Education</li> <li>Recent training in communication methods –<br/>signing (Makaton or Signalong) / PECs / objects of<br/>reference</li> <li>Training in meeting needs of pupils on the autistic<br/>spectrum</li> </ul>  |
| TEACHING COMPETENCIES AND<br>EXPERIENCE | <ul> <li>Experience of teaching pupils with special educational needs in primary, secondary or special school contexts</li> <li>Experience of working with young people with learning difficulties in a voluntary or paid capacity in social care or educational settings</li> <li>Good teaching skills</li> <li>Ability to plan, develop and manage a curriculum area.</li> <li>Ability to work within and organise class team</li> <li>Up-to-date knowledge of curriculum issues and assessment requirements, particularly at P levels</li> <li>Ability to reflect on own practice and manage own professional development.</li> <li>Personal competence in IT and ability and willingness to use this creatively in teaching</li> <li>Ability to attend sensitively to personal care needs of children</li> <li>Clear focus on the value of research led teaching</li> <li>Well-developed observation skills</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Experience working with students with<br/>PMLD/SLD/MLD</li> <li>Experience of using augmentative communication<br/>methods</li> <li>Experience in meeting the needs of young people<br/>with challenging behaviour including training in<br/>physical interventions (eg Team-teach or proact<br/>SCIP)</li> <li>Knowledge and understanding of sensory<br/>approaches to learning</li> <li>Knowledge of current issues and initiatives in the<br/>field of Special Educational Needs.</li> <li>MIDAS qualification</li> <li>Understanding of the principles behind Intensive<br/>Interaction</li> </ul> |



| <ul> <li>PERSONAL QUALITIES</li> <li>Approachable and caring attitude towards both pupils and adults.</li> <li>High level of commitment, enthusiasm and resilience</li> <li>Ability to contribute to multi-disciplinary team</li> <li>Flexible and open to the ideas of others.</li> <li>Ability to manage change.</li> <li>Prepared to ask for advice and support where necessary.</li> <li>Ability and willingness to be supportive to colleagues professionally and personally.</li> <li>Ability to communicate effectively with people at all levels.</li> <li>Effective and efficient management of time</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Experience of having developed good communication skills with parents and a range of different professionals</li> <li>Qualities or interests that can be offered in a lunchtime or extended school activity</li> <li>Ability to think and work creatively</li> <li>Ability to swim</li> </ul> |
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