FOREST OAK SCHOOL DEPUTY HEAD TEACHER Person specification:

Attribute	Essential	Desirable	Method of Assessment
Education & Qualifications	QTS Willingness to undertake further leadership CPD	Further leadership qualification i.e. leading from the middle, NPQH	 Application
Leadership	Leadership and management skills to improve the School's level of attainment and success Outstanding classroom practitioner who can lead by example Ability to motivate pupils and staff, experience of leading staff performance management processes Demonstrated ability to lead, coordinate and delegate Ability to manage change and work under pressure of changing circumstances Leading change, creativity and innovation Experience of managing personnel including performance management processes Experience of whole school leadership with positive outcomes	Experience of challenging and managing under performance in school staff Experience of Acting Deputy Headship NCTL designation e.g. SLE	 Application References Interview Observation
Experience	Experience of whole school senior leadership with positive outcomes Experience of leading the management of challenging / disaffected behaviour Experience of positive behaviour management and impact	Experience of leading within an SEN provision Experience of leading from Early Years to Post 16 Experience of leading Literacy or Numeracy Experience of working in a range of SEN school settings	ApplicationInterviewReferences
Practical Skills	Excellent organisational skills Excellent time management skills Ability to distribute leadership and delegate effectively		ApplicationInterviewReferences

	Excellent abilities to work collaboratively with other school leaders Experience of using a range of communication systems with pupils		
Communication	Ability to liaise effectively with parents, staff, Governors and local community Excellent written, verbal, presentation and listening skills Ability to communicate effectively under pressure Ability to build and maintain positive relationships with all stakeholders		ApplicationReferencesInterview
Personal Qualities	Integrity Fairness Optimistic, constructive and solution focused Ability to motivate others Ability to mediate Ability to inspire confidence in the parent/ staff community Excellent communicator and motivator of people		ReferencesInterviewObservation
Strategic Thinking	Knowing how to use school evaluation and performance data to support, monitor and challenge school improvement Ability to contribute to, and maintain a clear vision for the School and to lead others to plan and deliver it	Evidence of ways to build, communicate and implement a shared vision	ApplicationInterviewReferences
Technology / IT Skills	An understanding of technologies and their impact on learning	Experience of leading technological development	ApplicationInterview
Equal Opportunities	Excellent understanding of safeguarding roles and procedures Experience in effective management of children with significant inclusion needs Excellent understanding of children exhibiting behavioural difficulty and how to support them to achieve Understanding of equality issues, their impact and how to manage discrimination effectively	Experience of managing legal issues relating to managing a school, including equal opportunities, race relations, disability, human rights and employment legislation Experience of being a senior designated officer for safeguarding with level 3 training	ApplicationInterviewReferences