

## **Person Specification: Higher Level Teaching Assistant**

	Essential	Desirable	Evidence
Catholic ethos	<ul> <li>Have knowledge and understanding of Christian faith.</li> <li>Be comfortable working in a Catholic School.</li> <li>Contribute to the overall ethos of the school.</li> </ul>	Be a practising Catholic.	References Interview Application
Personal qualities	<ul> <li>Good basic education to GCSE level in literacy and numeracy, or the equivalent (Grade C or 4)</li> <li>Contribute to a range of teaching, learning and pastoral activities.</li> <li>Meet HLTA standards or equivalent qualification or experience.</li> <li>Plan, monitor and assess.</li> <li>Take responsibility, with minimum supervision, for delivering work programmes over an extended period to groups of children with complex needs.</li> <li>Demonstrate good communication skills both written and spoken.</li> <li>Demonstrate good ICT skills to support learning.</li> <li>Work independently and as part of a team.</li> <li>Calm under pressure.</li> <li>Maintains confidentiality.</li> <li>Enthusiastic.</li> <li>Ability to adapt to changing circumstances and needs.</li> <li>A passion for promoting purposeful learning.</li> <li>Shows initiative.</li> <li>Ability to build a good rapport with children, parents, staff and other professionals.</li> <li>An understanding of the curriculum accessible to all learnings including SEND, G&amp;T and EAL.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>A range of higher qualifications in other GCSE subjects.</li> <li>Knowledge of Arbor.</li> </ul>	References Interview Application
Experience	<ul> <li>Knowledge and understanding of the needs of young children; child development and the ways in which children learn; the roles played by various adults in a child's education; behaviour management strategies.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Experience working with children with specific social and emotional needs.</li> <li>Willingness to participate in INSET days and attend courses for their own professional development.</li> </ul>	References Interview Application



	<ul> <li>Have awareness of policies and procedures relating to child protection, health and safety, equal opportunities, confidentiality and safeguarding.</li> <li>A minimum of two years' experience of working with children preferably in an education setting.</li> <li>Evidence of specialism in specific curriculum areas or areas of particular learning difficulty.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Have the ability to work effectively and network with a wide variety of support services.</li> <li>Knowledge of issues related to disadvantaged sections of the community.</li> <li>Knowledge of working with VI students.</li> <li>Knowledge of paediatric basic life support.</li> </ul>
General	<ul> <li>Be able to work with students requiring defibrillator support.</li> <li>Be aware of SEN Code of Practice and overview of this.</li> <li>Excellent punctuality and attendance. Willingness for flexibility.</li> <li>Actively participate in performance management and oversee others as directed.</li> <li>Attend school Saturday Open Morning.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Other training and experience of specialist support.</li> <li>Detailed knowledge of specifics relating to role.</li> <li>Willingness to work outside of directed hours where required e.g. Parents Evening.</li> <li>Previous experience of performance management and positive outcomes.</li> </ul>