## **Dovery Acorns Pre-School Assistant - Person Specification:**

Essential	Desirable
<ul> <li>Skills, aptitude, knowledge and experience</li> <li>Previous experience of caring for, or working with children aged 3-4 in a voluntary or paid capacity</li> <li>An understanding of the EYFS</li> <li>Knowledge of the Welfare requirements for the regulation of Childcare provision</li> <li>A commitment to the provision of high quality childcare</li> <li>A positive approach to learning and gaining new skills through teamwork and training opportunities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Interest in the care, learning and development of young children</li> <li>An understanding of the EYFS</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Personal qualities</li> <li>Good organisational, record keeping and planning skills</li> <li>Punctuality</li> <li>Excellent communication skills, with children, colleagues, advisors and parents/carers/.</li> <li>Patience</li> <li>Empathy with children, colleagues and parents/carers</li> <li>Reliability and trustworthiness</li> <li>A positive approach to inclusive practice, with children and colleagues</li> <li>Enthusiasm for working with young children</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Flexibility – occasionally working hours might be changed, eg. if the setting hosts a Parent's Evening</li> <li>Able to work in small teams</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Qualifications</li> <li>Completion of a recognised Level 2 Childcare qualification, eg. NVQ 2 in Children's Care, Learning and Development – or willingness to undertake this qualification</li> <li>A positive approach to gaining further qualifications</li> <li>Some understanding of the importance of Health &amp; Safety and Food Hygiene in the workplace</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Completion of a recognised Level         3 Childcare qualification, eg.         NVQ 3 in Children's Care,         Learning and Development – or         be working towards completion</li> <li>Health &amp; Safety certificate</li> <li>Pediatric First Aid certificate</li> <li>Completion of other relevant         course</li> </ul>