



**Person Specification**

**SEN 1:1 Teaching Assistant/Midday Assistant**

<b>1. Qualifications and Experience</b>	<b>Essential</b>	<b>Desirable</b>
Successful experience working with children in a school/early years Foundation Stage environment	✓	
Educated to NVQ Level 2 in learning support/early years, NNEB or equivalent qualification/experience	✓	
Experience working with children who have experienced trauma or have special educational needs	✓	
Experience working with children with speech, language and communication difficulties		✓
Experience working with ASD children		✓
Experience working with children with emotion regulation difficulties		✓
Good understanding of the different ways of communicate with SEND children including the use of visual aids		✓
Good understanding of strategies to support SEND children		✓
Good understanding of using positive behaviour strategies		
Knowledge of Trauma Perceptive Practice (TPP) or similar		✓
Basic knowledge of First Aid and understanding of School	✓	
Good reading and writing skills	✓	
Good numeracy skills	✓	
Knowledge of basic ICT to support learning	✓	
<b>2. Communication</b>	<b>Essential</b>	<b>Desirable</b>
Ability to write basic reports	✓	
Ability to use clear language to communicate information unambiguously	✓	
Ability to listen effectively	✓	
Overcome communication barriers with children and adults	✓	
Consult with children and their families and carers and other adults	✓	
<b>3. Working with children</b>	<b>Essential</b>	<b>Desirable</b>
Understand and implement the school's behaviour management policy	✓	



Ability to understand and support children with developmental difficulty or disability	✓	
Good understanding of the school curriculum Knowledge of literacy/numeracy strategies and how to structure their day	✓	
Good understanding of the general aspect of child development	✓	
Ability to assess progress and performance	✓	
Understand and support the importance of physical and emotional wellbeing	✓	
<b>4. Working with Others</b>	<b>Essential</b>	<b>Desirable</b>
Understand the role of others working in and with the school	✓	
Understand and value the role of parents and carers in supporting children	✓	
Ability to establish rapport and respectful and trusting relationships with children, their families and carers and other adults	✓	
Ability to work effectively with a range of adults	✓	
Ability to follow instructions accurately	✓	
Know when, how and with whom to share information	✓	
<b>5. Responsibilities</b>	<b>Essential</b>	<b>Desirable</b>
Good organisational skills	✓	
Ability to have a therapeutic approach to behaviour	✓	
Ability to remain calm under pressure	✓	
Ability to support the work of volunteers and other teaching assistants in the classroom	✓	
Ability to manage own time effectively	✓	
Demonstrate creativity and an ability to resolve routine problems independently	✓	
<b>6. General</b>	<b>Essential</b>	<b>Desirable</b>



Awareness of and commitment to equality	✓	
Basic understanding of Health & Safety	✓	
Understand and implement child protection procedures	✓	
Understand procedures and legislation relating to confidentiality	✓	
Be prepared to develop and learn in the role	✓	