Person Specification: Teaching Assistant

	Essential	Desirable	Evidence
Catholic ethos	▪ Have knowledge and understanding of Christian faith. ▪ Be comfortable working in a Catholic School.	▪ Be a practising Catholic.	References Interview Application
Personal qualities	▪ Good basic education to GCSE level in literacy and numeracy, or the equivalent (Grade C or 4) ▪ Contribute to a range of teaching, learning and pastoral activities. ▪ Plan, monitor and assess. ▪ Take responsibility, with minimum supervision, for delivering work programmes over an extended period to groups of children with complex needs. ▪ Demonstrate good communication skills both written and spoken. ▪ Demonstrate good ICT skills. ▪ Work independently and as part of a team. ▪ Calm under pressure. ▪ Maintains confidentiality. ▪ Enthusiastic. ▪ Ability to adapt to a variety of situations. ▪ Shows initiative.	▪ A range of higher qualifications in other GCSE subjects.	References Interview Application
Experience	▪ 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. ▪ Have awareness of policies and procedures relating to child protection, health and safety, equal opportunities, confidentiality and safeguarding.	▪ Experience working with children with specific social and emotional needs. ▪ Willingness to participate in INSET days and attend courses for their own professional development. ▪ Have the ability to work effectively and network with a wide variety of support services. ▪ Knowledge of issues related to disadvantaged sections of the community. ▪ Knowledge of working with VI students. ▪ Knowledge of paediatric basic life support.	References Interview Application

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