Teaching Assistant Person Specification

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications and Training	 Hold relevant qualifications at a level equivalent to at least NVQ Level 3. Demonstrable levels of numeracy & literacy equivalent to GCSE (A-C) or NVQ Level 3 (or by test). Evidence of specialism in specific curriculum areas or areas of particular learning difficulty. Good numeracy/literacy skills Willingness to participate in other development and training opportunities 	Evidence of continuous INSET and commitment to further professional development
Experience	 Relevant work experience in a similar background within a Primary/Infant setting (EYFS/KS1) A minimum of two years' experience of working with children (either paid or unpaid capacity) preferably in an education setting. Understanding of relevant policies/codes of practice and awareness of relevant legislation. 	 Understanding of the importance of transition between Early Years and Key Stage One Experience of teaching Read Write Inc phonics
Knowledge and understanding	 Good organisational and time management skills. To be able to maintain effective record keeping Able to form and maintain appropriate professional relationships and boundaries with children and young people. Ability to deal with sensitive information in a confidential manner. An understanding of and a genuine commitment to Equal Opportunities. 	Experience of teaching Read Write Inc phonics
Skills	 A positive interest in working with children Adaptability Ability and willingness to work constructively as part of a team Ability to work calmly and with patience To build positive relationships with both children and parents. Empathy with young people facing barriers to their learning. A commitment to helping young pupils achieve, through education and learning. Emotionally literate 	