## THE FOREST SCHOOL PERSON SPECIFICATION – Teaching Assistant GRADE 4

HLTA CATEGORY	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	ASSESSED THROUGH:
Qualifications	<ul> <li>Good standard of education across a range of subjects</li> <li>GCSE English &amp; Maths or equivalent</li> <li>ICT literate</li> </ul>		Application form
Experience	Working with young people in a co- educational setting.	<ul> <li>Working with challenging and/or disaffected young people in a co-educational setting.</li> <li>Leading small group interventions with students</li> <li>Knowledge and experience of the educational environment.</li> <li>Knowledge of supporting a range of SEND learners in school.</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Application Form</li><li>Interview</li></ul>
Skills and abilities	<ul> <li>Able to work as a member of a team</li> <li>Confident to work within a range of subject areas and across the secondary school age range</li> <li>Able to work with students, colleagues and parents with a high level of professionalism</li> <li>Committed to enabling students to improve literacy levels and engagement with learning</li> <li>Excellent written and verbal communication and presentation skills</li> <li>Able to manage conflict and deal positively with challenging behaviour</li> <li>Capacity to learn new skills, take the initiative and generate ideas with the minimum of supervision</li> <li>Able to work with young people who display a range of SEND</li> </ul>	Committed to further development of skills through CPD / training etc.	<ul> <li>Application Form</li> <li>Interview</li> </ul>

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Personal qualities	<ul> <li>Able to inspire and motivate young people</li> <li>Broad knowledge and practical approach</li> <li>Committed to inclusion</li> <li>Puts a high value on treating others with respect and courtesy</li> <li>Building positive relationships amongst students and staff</li> <li>Friendly</li> <li>Proactive and resourceful</li> <li>Hard-working</li> <li>Has high expectations of self and students</li> <li>Reliable, punctual and responsible</li> </ul>	A willing contributor to the development of the Inclusion Team and the school	<ul> <li>Application Form</li> <li>Interview</li> </ul>	
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