



Teaching Assistant - Grade 2 PERSON SPECIFICATION

CATEGORY	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
APPLICATION	 Supported in reference Well-structured supporting statement 	
QUALIFICATIONS	NNEB, BTEC National Diploma, NVQ Level 2/3, Cache Level 3, STAC or an equivalent qualification.	 Any additional relevant qualification or training, for example in relation to Special Educational Needs/ safeguarding.
EXPERIENCE	Worked successfully with children.	 Worked successfully with children in other setting. Worked successfully with SEN children.
KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING	 How children develop. How to support children with SEN. How to motivate pupils to complete directed tasks and make progress. 	 Knowledge & understanding of strategies used to support pupils with learning difficulties.
SKILLS	 Good communication skills, both written and oral, in a variety of situations. Ability to work co-operatively with others. Ability to display children's work. Work with individual children or small groups of children. Work effectively with colleagues, management and all 	 Willingness to undertake further training Differentiate tasks and activities making goals clear and achievable. Be able to think outside the box.

	school stakeholders. Manage children's behaviour in a positive manner. Good organisational skills. To be able to support self - help skills (eg toileting) and to administer medication. Ability to think on your feet. Make teaching resources. Encourage and develop communication and pupil's social skills. Use initiative within ethos of the team	
	 Apply the nursery behaviour management system effectively. Monitor, record and make basic assessments about children's progress. Good ICT Skills. Willingness to undertake activities necessary in children's development of social skills. Work within a team to assess and develop skills, set targets and create opportunities for children to make progress. 	
PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES	 A genuine passion and enjoyment for working with children. Ability to demonstrate enthusiasm. Caring and sensitive attitude towards children, parents and staff. Excellent interpersonal skills. Well organised. 	
	 Ability to use initiative. Calmness, motivation, initiative, flexibility, positive nature, empathy, confidentiality. Flexibility and adaptability in order to be able to mix and work with a wide range of people. Sense of humour/fun. A degree of resilience. An excellent team player. 	