**Person Specification**

**Teaching Assistant Apprentice**

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|  | **Essential Criteria** | **How Assessed** |
| **Education & Qualifications** | 5 GCSEs, Grade 4 or above (or equivalent), including English and Mathematics or Level 2 Functional Skills. | Application Form, Certificates & References |
| **Experience, Skills and Knowledge** | Commitment to developing an excellent understanding of a child’s development and learningCommitment to developing an understanding of working with children with a range of additional educational needs.Commitment to gaining an understanding of the relevant policies/codes of practice/ and awareness of relevant legislation in the context of your roleCommitment to developing an understanding of national/ EYFS curriculum and other relevant learning programmes/strategies. A good understanding of ICT Good communication skillsGood organisational skills, ability to show initiative | Application Form, Interview & References |
| **Personal Qualities**  | Ability to motivate and encourage children to meet their targets for learning and/or behaviour.Ability to build effective relationships with pupils’ families, liaising sensitively & effectively with them, recognising your role in pupils’ learning. To work constructively as part of a team, understanding classroom roles and responsibilities and your own position within these.To be a good role model.Emotional resilience in working with a range of challenging situations.Ability to demonstrate patience with firmness.To constantly improve own practice/knowledge through reflection, self-evaluation and learning from others.Have a willingness to demonstrate commitment to the values and ethos of the school. | Application Form, Interview & References |
| **Work Circumstances** | To work flexibly as the workload demandsTo work to support wrap around care and school functionsThis post is subject to safeguarding and qualification checks  | Interview & References |

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Level 3 Teaching Assistant