

The Percy Hedley Foundation Vacancy Reference: Service: Education Services Location: Northern Counties School, Jesmond, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE2 3BB Post: Special Support Assistant Contract Type: Permanent Hours: Full time Salary: £15,830.80 - £17,135.19 (TTO salary) Interview Date: TBC

The Percy Hedley Foundation provides services for a range of young people and adults with physical disabilities and other associated difficulties. In our schools, specialist teachers, therapists and special support assistants provide an integrated approach to working with children who have difficulties including cerebral palsy, sensory impairment, ASD and associated behavioural difficulties, and profound and multiple learning difficulties.

The main role of the SSA is to work as part of a team as directed by the class teacher or therapist, to support children's care and learning. Good communication and organisation skills are essential. Experience of behaviour management, knowledge of deafness and British Sign Language or experience of integrated work with children or adults with PMLD would be an advantage. The successful candidates will receive extensive support and continued professional development opportunities.

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults. Applicants should be aware that the post will only be offered to successful candidates subject to an Enhanced DBS check as well as other employment clearances.

Northern Counties School is a school that sets out to make a difference to the learning, wellbeing and future life chances of children and young people with significant additional needs. Teachers, therapists and special support assistants work together in trans-disciplinary teams to meet the individual needs of every pupil. Together, and through detailed analysis of their presentation, we believe we can unlock each child's potential and support achievement for all.

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The working hours for this position are full time (35.75 hours per week) term time only.

The hours are as follows:

Monday - 8.30 to 5

Tuesday to Thursday - 8.30 to 4.10

Friday - 8.30 to 3.40

For a Job Description and Person Specification, please see the supporting documents section of this advert.

This is ongoing recruitment so the vacancy will close when a suitable number of applicants have been appointed.