Person Specification: Teaching Assistant

	Essential	Desirable	Method of assessment
Qualifications	 Excellent Literacy and Numeracy skills Willingness to attend First Aid course (if not already in possession of this qualification). 	 Full First Aid qualification NVQ Level 2 for Teaching assistants or willing to train 	Application Interview
Knowledge and experience	 Experience of supporting learning in Early Years, KS1 or KS2. Understanding of how to support children in literacy and numeracy Use of basic ICT – computer, video, photocopier. Basic understanding of child development and learning. General understanding of the Primary National Curriculum. Understanding of assessing and tracking progress Awareness of legislation relating to child protection 	 Understanding/experience of intervention programmes e.g. Little Wandle Letters and Sounds, White Rose, Success at Arithmetic, Lexia Experience of working with children with SEN 	Application Interview
Skills	 Ability to work with an individual or group Good communication and organisational skills Ability to use initiative and retain professionalism. Positive approach to behaviour management. Model acceptable behaviour 	•	Interview References

Personal characteristics	 Flexible approach Calmness Awareness of confidentiality Show initiative Enthusiasm for role Reliable 	•	 Interview References
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