

Person Specification 1:1 Learning Support Assistant

1. Qualifications and Experience	Essential	Desirable
Successful experience working with children in a school/early years environment	√	
Educated to NVQ Level 2 in learning support/early years, NNEB or equivalent qualification/experience	✓	
Basic knowledge of First Aid and understanding of School	✓	
Good reading and writing skills	✓	
Good numeracy skills	✓	
Knowledge of basic ICT to support learning	✓	
2. Communication	Essential	Desirable
Ability to write basic reports	✓	
Ability to use clear language to communicate information unambiguously	✓	
Ability to listen effectively	✓	
Overcome communication barriers with children and adults	✓	
Consult with children and their families and carers and other adults	√	
3. Working with children	Essential	Desirable
Understand and implement the school's behaviour management policy	√	
Ability to understand and support children with developmental difficulty or disability	√	
Good understanding of the school curriculum Knowledge of literacy/numeracy strategies	✓	
Good understanding of the general aspect of child development	√	
Ability to assess progress and performance	√	
Understand and support the importance of physical and emotional wellbeing	✓	



4. Working with Others	Essential	Desirable
Understand the role of others working in and with the school	✓	
Understand and value the role of parents and carers in supporting children	√	
Ability to establish rapport and respectful and trusting relationships with children, their families and carers and other adults	√	
Ability to work effectively with a range of adults	✓	
Ability to follow instructions accurately	√	
Know when, how and with whom to share information	√	
5. Responsibilities	Essential	Desirable
Good organisational skills	✓	
Ability to remain calm under pressure	✓	
Ability to support the work of volunteers and other teaching assistants in the classroom	✓	
Ability to manage own time effectively	√	
Demonstrate creativity and an ability to resolve routine problems independently	√	
6. General	Essential	Desirable
Awareness of and commitment to equality	✓	
Basic understanding of Health & Safety	✓	
Understand and implement child protection procedures	√	
Understand procedures and legislation relating to confidentiality	√	
Be prepared to develop and learn in the role	√	