LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANT - PERSON SPECIFICATIONS



General heading	Detail	Examples
Qualifications &	Specific qualifications &	Successful experience working with children in a
Experience	experience	school/early years environment
	·	Educated to NVQ Level 2 in learning support/early
		years, NNEB or equivalent qualification/experience
		Completion of DCSF induction programme
	Knowledge of relevant policies	Basic knowledge of First Aid and understanding of
	and procedures	School
	Literacy	Good reading and writing skills
	Numeracy	Good numeracy skills
	Technology	Knowledge of basic ICT to support learning
Communication	Written	Ability to write basic reports
	Verbal	Ability to use clear language to communicate
		information unambiguously
		Ability to listen effectively
	Languages	Overcome communication barriers with children
		and adults
	Negotiating	Consult with children and their families and carers
		and other adults
Working with children	Behaviour Management	Understand and implement the school's behaviour
	Ĭ	management policy
	SEN	Ability to understand and support children with
		developmental difficulty or disability
	Curriculum	Good understanding of the school curriculum
		Knowledge of literacy/numeracy strategies
	Child Development	Good understanding of the general aspect of child
	·	development
		Ability to assess progress and performance
	Health & Well being	Understand and support the importance of physical
		and emotional wellbeing
Working with others	Working with partners	Understand the role of others working in and with
		the school
		Understand and value the role of parents and
		carers in supporting children
	Relationships	Ability to establish rapport and respectful and
		trusting relationships with children, their families
		and carers and other adults
	Team work	Ability to work effectively with a range of adults
	Information	Know when, how and with whom to share
		information
		Ability to follow instructions accurately
Responsibilities	Organisational skills	Good organisational skills
		Ability to remain calm under pressure
	Line Management	Ability to support the work of volunteers and other
		teaching assistants in the classroom
	Time Management	Ability to manage own time effectively
	Creativity	Demonstrate creativity and an ability to resolve
		routine problems independently
General	Equalities	Awareness of and commitment to equality
	Health & Safety	Basic understanding of Health & Safety
	Child Protection	Understand and implement child protection
		procedures
	Confidentiality/Data Protection	Understand procedures and legislation relating to
		confidentiality
	CPD	Be prepared to develop and learn in the role