Person Specification Learning Support Assistant

Qualifications & Experience	Essential	Desirable
GCSE A - C (or equivalent) Maths and English	√	
Successful recent experience working with primary age children		✓
Good general standard of education	✓	
NVQ level 2 in learning support or other equivalent or equivalent qualification/experience.		√
Skills and Knowledge	Essential	Desirable
Basic knowledge of First Aid and understanding of the School Policies and Procedures		✓
Understanding of child protection procedures		✓
Working knowledge of the education system		✓
Understand procedures and legislation relating to confidentiality	✓	
Understand the importance of physical and emotional wellbeing	√	
Ability to write basic reports	√	
Ability to understand and support children with developmental difficulty or disability	√	
Understanding of and ability to implement the school's behaviour management policy	√	
Ability to support the work of volunteers and other teaching assistants in the classroom	√	
Ability to use clear language to communicate information unambiguously and listen effectively	√	
Ability to communicate effectively with children and their families and carers and other adults and overcome communication barriers with children and adults	√	
Good understanding of the school curriculum including knowledge of literacy/numeracy strategies		✓
Know when, how and with whom to share information		✓
ICT skills to support learning		✓
Ability to establish rapport and respectful and trusting relationships with children, their families and carers and other adults	√	
Basic understanding of Health & Safety	✓	
Personal	Essential	Desirable
Ability to resolve routine problems independently	✓	

High expectations of self and others	✓	
Good organisational skills	√	
Remain calm under pressure	√	
Ability to ensure confidentiality	√	
Ability to use own initiative	√	
Approachable	√	
Ability to work within a team	√	
Reliable and trustworthy	√	