Person Specification Learning Support Assistant

Qualifications & Experience	Essential	Desirable
GCSE A - C (or equivalent) Maths and English	\checkmark	
 Successful recent experience working with secondary age children 		✓
Good general standard of education	\checkmark	
 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 		\checkmark
Understanding of child protection procedures		~
Working knowledge of the education system		\checkmark
Understand procedures and legislation relating to confidentiality	\checkmark	
Understand the importance of physical and emotional wellbeing	\checkmark	
Ability to write basic reports	\checkmark	
Ability to understand and support children with developmental difficulty or disability	\checkmark	
 Understanding of and ability to implement the school's behaviour management policy 	\checkmark	
 Ability to support the work of volunteers and other teaching assistants in the classroom 	\checkmark	
 Ability to use clear language to communicate information unambiguously and listen effectively 	\checkmark	
 Ability to communicate effectively with children and their families and carers and other adults and overcome communication barriers with children and adults 	\checkmark	
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	\checkmark	
Personal	Essential	Desirable
Ability to resolve routine problems independently	\checkmark	

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

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