

PERSON SPECIFICATION- Primary Higher Level Teaching Assistant/Family Support Officer

The successful candidate will meet the following person specification. Please note that the listed criteria will form the basis of the selection process. Applicants should address all elements of the Person Specification, indicating experience and where appropriate citing supporting examples within their application.

Qualifications & Training	Essential/Desirable	How Identified
□ Training in relevant learning strategies e.g. Literacy	E	Application
□ Higher Level Teaching Assistant status	D	form/Interview/ Task (if applicable)
□ Level 2 Literacy and Numeracy	E	
□ Current Primary experience	E	
□ Specialist skills/training in curriculum or learning area, e.g., bi-lingual, sign language, ICT	D	
□ Completion of relevant safeguarding training	D	
□ Experience of making links with parents and families	E	
Skills & Knowledge	Essential/Desirable	How Identified
□ Knowledge and experience in Key Stage 1 /2 and EYFS	Е	Interview/
□ Excellent written and oral communication skills	E	Application form
□ Able to persuade, influence and gain cooperation	Е	Oral Presentation /Task/ References
□ Excellent presentation skills	E	
□ Working knowledge of relevant polices/codes of practice/legislation within a classroom setting	E	
□ Working knowledge of the Primary national/foundation stage curriculum and other relevant learning programmes/strategies	E	
□ Good understanding of child development and learning processes	Е	
□ Able to organise, lead and motivate a team and to work constructively as part of a team	Е	
□ Awareness of relevant legislation relating to child protection and safeguarding	E	
 Working knowledge of the current issues facing education with specific reference to the workplace 	D	
□ Understanding of classroom roles and responsibilities	D	
□ Excellent ICT skills and ability to use them effectively to support learning	D	
☐ Ability to develop positive relationships with adults	Е	



 Awareness of services that are available to support children and families 	Е	
Experience	Essential/Desirable	How Identified
Experience	Essential/Desirable	now identified
□ Ability to prioritise workload effectively to meet deadlines	E	Application
□ Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, including tact and diplomacy	E	form/Interview/
□ Working with children of relevant age in a learning environment	E	Task (if
 Experience of implementing national curriculum and other relevant learning programmes/strategies 	E	applicable)
□ Using/implementing behaviour management strategies	Е	
□ Experience of advancing pupils' learning in a range of classroom settings, including working with individuals, small groups and whole classes where the assigned teacher is not present	Е	
 Organising and managing the physical teaching space and selecting and preparing teaching resources 	Е	
□ Producing lesson plans, worksheet plans, etc.	E	
□ Administering, assessing and marking tests	E	
□ Invigilating internal and external examinations, under supervision	D	
□ Using ICT to support learning activities	D	
□ Experience of following safeguarding policy within an education setting	D	
Personal Attributes	Essential/Desirable	How Identified
□ A supportive and co-operative team member	E	Application
□ Standards driven	E	form/Interview/
□ Committed to the safeguarding of children	E	Task (if
□ Able to respond effectively to problems	E	applicable)
□ Able to respond positively to change	E	
□ Excellent time management	E	
□ Committed, confident, conscientious and enthusiastic	E	
□ Committed to achieving further professional development	E	
□ Constantly improving own practice/knowledge through self-evaluation and learning from others	E	
□ Committed to equal opportunities in all school activities	E	
Equal Opportunities	Essential/Desirable	How Identified

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 Candidates should indicate an acceptance of, and a commitment to, the principles of the Academy's Equal Rights policies and practices as they relate to employment issues and to the delivery of services to the community 	E	Application form/Interview/ Task (if
 Commitment to equal opportunities policies relating to gender, race and disability in an educational context 	E	applicable)
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Safeguarding	Essential/Desirable	How Identified
□ Commitment to the protection and safeguarding of children and young people	Essential/Desirable	Application