## PERSON SPECIFICATION FOR THE POST OF TEACHING ASSISTANT Band 5

	Essential Criteria	Desirable Criteria
Qualifications	<ul> <li>NVQ Level 2 (or equivalent) classroom assistant qualification (A)</li> <li>GCSE or equivalent in English and Maths at Grade C or above (A)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Other professional qualifications (i.e. HLTA)</li> <li>First Aid qualification</li> </ul>
Experience	<ul> <li>Demonstrable experience of working as a classroom or teaching assistant within a primary school environment (A, I, R)</li> <li>Successful experience of supporting pupils on an individual and group basis (A, I, R)</li> <li>Experience of working effectively with parents/carers (A, I, R)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Experience of working with children in an early years setting (A, I, R)</li> <li>Experience of supporting and working with pupils with a special educational need (A, I, R)</li> </ul>
Knowledge / Skills	<ul> <li>Excellent organisation skills (A, I)</li> <li>Knowledge and understanding of effective</li> <li>features that support teaching and learning</li> <li>(A, I, R)</li> <li>Knowledge and understanding of the National Curriculum (A, I, R)</li> <li>Knowledge of Child Protection procedures</li> <li>(A, I, R)</li> <li>Competence in ICT (A, I)</li> <li>Ability to work as part of a team (A, I)</li> <li>Ability to use own initiative (A, I)</li> <li>Excellent communication skills both verbal and in writing (A, I)</li> <li>Well developed work ethic (A, I, R)</li> <li>Ability to communicate effectively with a range of people including children (A, I)</li> <li>Be an effective role model for pupils by demonstrating positive values, attitudes and behaviour expected from pupils (A, I, R)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Excellent IT skills (A, I)</li> <li>Knowledge of intervention strategies (A, I, R)</li> <li>Knowledge and understanding of the SEND Code of Practice</li> <li>(A, I)</li> <li>Commitment and evidence of own professional development</li> <li>(A, I, R)</li> <li>An excellent knowledge of correct spelling, grammar and punctuation (A, I)</li> <li>Knowledge of data protection issues (GDPR) (A, I)</li> </ul>
Additional	<ul> <li>Recommendation from both referees (R)</li> <li>Clear Enhanced DBS Check (A, R)</li> </ul>	• Strong recommendation (R)

A – Application Form I – Interview R - Reference