## **Teaching Assistant** Person Specification

	Essential	Desirable
Skills	Ability to work and communicate with young children. To be diplomatic and tactful. Ability to communicate with teachers and parents. Able to deliver intervention work to children.	
Knowledge	Understanding of Safeguarding in School; Health and Safety; Data Protection; Race Relations; Confidentiality issues	Child development. First Aid. Safe working practices.
Experience	Working with groups of children in an organised situation.	Experience of working with a child with Specific Learning Difficulties Supporting children in use of ICT in school. Experience of working with children with Special Educational Needs.
Qualifications	GCSE Grade C or above in Maths and English. NVQ Level 3– required.	
Equal Opportunities	An awareness of the Council's Equal Opportunities Policy.	
Other requirements	Patience, kindness and a genuine interest in children. Adaptability, flexibility and ability to work as a team with members of staff. Willingness to accept direction, take part in training (for example, ICT, Child Protection) Able to take the initiative and make decisions.	Demonstrate an understanding of and a commitment to school improvement at all levels. Willingness to support health care plans where required.