## Person Specification Teaching Assistant – General

Job Title:	Teaching Assistant – General
Responsible to:	SENCo – Line Manager
Contracted Hours/Week:	27 hours 40 minutes per week 8.30am – 3.05pm Monday to Wednesday 8.30am – 2.45pm Thursday and Friday
Contracted Weeks/Year:	39 (term time only)

Main Job purpose:

To assist students requiring various levels of support working either with individuals, separate small groups and in mainstream classes within all faculties. Keep records of students' progress as are required by the school and establish a supportive relationship with individuals/groups and parents concerned (if necessary).

Category	Criteria	Essential or Desirable	Method of Assessmen t
Education, Qualifications & Experience	<ul> <li>Education to GCSE level, grade C or above in English and Maths or equivalent</li> </ul>	Essential	Documentar y evidence Application Form
	Experience in supporting students in a TA capacity	Desirable	
Skills, Knowledge and Understanding	Basic working knowledge of Microsoft Office: Word, Excel and Outlook	Essential	Application Form References Interview
	Good understanding of the role of a Teaching Assistant	Essential	
	Good level of oral and written communication skills.	Essential	
	Good level of organisational skills	Essential	
	Ability to work under pressure	Essential	
	Good time management and prioritisation skills	Essential	
	The ability to follow instructions	Essential	
	The ability to work as part of a team	Essential	

Friendly and approachable, able to demonstrate empathy	Essential	
Integrity and the ability to handle confidential information securely and with discretion	Essential	
Confidence to work alone and use own initiative.	Essential	

Personal and Professional Qualities	A flexible approach	Essential	Application Form References Interview
	Ability to deal with queries in a professional manner	Essential	
	A willingness to learn new skills	Essential	
Safeguarding	Clear understanding of Safeguarding requirements and how to promote the welfare of children (training will be provided)	Desirable	Reference Interview
	Ability to maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with students	Essential	
Other	Eligibility to work in the UK	Essential	Application Form Interview
	Appointment subject to enhanced DBS and validated references	Essential	