

## **EMPLOYEE SPECIFICATION**

When filling in the application form, please demonstrate with clear, concise examples how you meet the requirements of the post. You will be assessed in relation to the *Essential and Desirable* criteria. Please bear in mind that you must possess the Essential Criteria on day 1 to be able to do the job. If there are large numbers of applicants for the post then all of the criteria will be used for shortlisting. Under the Disability Discrimination Act, we recognise and welcome our responsibility to remove any barriers in our recruitment and selection process. We have tried to assess this in our Job Description and Employee Specification, however if you feel that there are barriers, please tell us in the application form. As part of the DDA we are committed to making reasonable adjustments, wherever possible and it would help us to know your needs in order to do this.

| Post Title:<br>Criteria No | Teaching Assistant                    | Directorate/School: Springwell Leeds Academy  |                            | Scale: 2  |
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|                            | Attributes                            | Criteria  | How Identified             | Rank      |
|                            | Relevant Experience                   | Relevant experience to the post   | Application form/interview | Desirable |
|                            |                                       | Working with children of relevant age   | Application form/interview | Essential |
|                            |                                       | Working with children/young people with SEN and/or social, emotional and mental health difficulties         | Application form/interview | Desirable |
|                            |                                       | General technical/resource support  | Application form/interview | Desirable |
|                            | Education and Training<br>Attainments | Level 2 qualification or equivalent   | Application form/interview | Essential |
|                            |                                       | Level 3 Qualification   | Application form/interview | Desirable |
|                            |                                       | Level 4 Qualification   | Application form/interview | Desirable |
|                            |                                       | Commitment to all CPD offered   | Application form/interview | Essential |
|                            | General and Special<br>Knowledge      | Understanding of pupils with social, emotional and mental health difficulties and special educational needs | Application form/interview | Desirable |
|                            |                                       | Knowledge of the range of ways that pupils learn  | Application form/interview | Desirable |
|                            |                                       | Knowledge of interventions  | Application form/interview | Desirable |



| Skills a | and Abilities | Ability to relate well to children and adults  | Application form/interview | Essential |
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|          |               | The ability to personalise and differentiate learning  | Application form/interview | Desirable |
|          |               | Ability to use correct English in spoken and written communication   | Application form/interview | Essential |
|          |               | Work constructively as part of a team,<br>understanding classroom roles and responsibilities<br>and your own position within these | Application form/interview | Desirable |
|          |               | Ability to respond calmly and use initiative   | Application form/interview | Essential |

| Additional Factors | Demonstrate a commitment to Equal Opportunities  | Application form/interview | Essential |
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|                    | To comply with all policies adopted by the<br>Governing Body for example, Health and Safety,<br>Equal Opportunities and Data Protection                                | Application form/interview | Essential |
|                    | This school is committed to safeguarding and<br>promoting the welfare of children and young people<br>and expects all staff and volunteers to share this<br>commitment | Application form/interview | Essential |