

## **Job Specification for Teaching Assistant**

### **Essential**

#### **Skills, aptitudes, knowledge and experience**

- Previous experience of working with children aged 3-6 years
- An understanding of the Foundation Stage (and, ideally, Key Stage 1 curriculum too) and the National Standards for the provision of childcare.

#### **Personal Qualities**

- Ability to work as part of a team
- Excellent communication skills with adults and children
- Calm and caring with a sense of humour
- Reliability, trustworthiness and flexible
- Good organisational skills and ability to use own initiative

#### **Qualifications**

- NVQ level 2 or 3 in support teaching and learning in schools
- Level 2 and 3 certificate for teaching assistants

### **Desirable**

- First Aid certificate
- Health and safety certificate
- Basic food hygiene training