## LSA PERSON SPECIFICATION

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA	DESIRABLE CRITERIA
EDUCATION AND TRAINING:	
Good general education and GCSE passes in Maths and English (A-C).   EXPERIENCE:      Relevant experience of working with children of Early Years or Primary school age – leading small groups and working as part of a team.	<ul> <li>NVQ qualification - Supporting Teaching &amp; Learning.</li> <li>Support Work in Schools Vocational Qualification - Level 2.</li> <li>Suitable training in phonics and/or interventions.</li> <li>First Aid Qualification.</li> <li>Experience of working in an Early Years setting or primary school environment.</li> <li>Experience of working with children with Special Educational Needs.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>CURRICULUM BASED SKILLS:</li> <li>Ability to use ICT to effectively support learning.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Good general knowledge and ability to set tasks into contexts of pupil interests.</li> <li>Knowledge of the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum</li> </ul>
COMMUNICATION AND TEAMWORK SKILLS:	
<ul> <li>Good oral and written communication skills.</li> <li>Ability to work effectively and professionally within a team of adults.</li> <li>Ability to efficiently understand and follow direction from the Class Teacher or Special Needs Coordinator, using initiative.</li> <li>Ability to relate well to children, establishing empathy and a good rapport.</li> <li>Ability to motivate pupils and to use positive behaviour management strategies with individuals, groups and whole classes.</li> </ul>	Supportive of colleagues.     Capability to analyse tasks and how they may be best achieved.
WORKING SKILLS	
<ul> <li>Able to work under pressure and multitask.</li> <li>Has a solution-based approach to problem solving.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ability to plan and prioritise a range of regular and irregular tasks with specific deadlines.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>ATTRIBUTES</li> <li>Hardworking with a positive attitude,</li> <li>Resilient and patient.</li> <li>Adaptable and able to cope with a range of tasks.</li> <li>Willingness to become fully involved in school life.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Friendly and sociable with a good sense of humour.</li> <li>Flexible approach, enjoys a varied workload.</li> <li>Creative.</li> </ul>