## Person Specification – Teaching Assistant

	Essential Criteria	Desirable Criteria
Qualifications	<ul> <li>NVQ L3 or equivalent</li> <li>GCSE Grade C or above in English and maths</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Evidence of relevant, ongoing learning and professional development</li> <li>Forest School accreditation</li> </ul>
Experience	Effective in role as TA and proven track record of raising attainment for all pupils	Outdoor learning
Professional attributes	<ul> <li>Ability to lead learning and deliver interventions effectively</li> <li>Enthusiastic, creative and willingness to learn</li> <li>Excellent communication and interpersonal skills</li> <li>Ability to reflect upon own practice and willingness to improve through observations, evaluations and discussion with colleagues</li> <li>Contributes to and implements whole school policies</li> <li>Sets examples of high personal standards</li> <li>Establishes professional, supportive and appropriate relationships with parents/carers and other professionals.</li> <li>Willingness to assist and participate in the wider aspects of school life</li> <li>Sets high expectations for self and others and a strong commitment to raising standards</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Experience of working in partnership with parents and other professionals</li> <li>Evidence of continued professional development</li> </ul>
Professional knowledge and understanding	<ul> <li>Knowledge of National Curriculum including age related at Y6</li> <li>Understanding of importance of progress and standards</li> <li>Knowledge and understanding of assessment for learning and assessment practice</li> <li>Understanding of how children learn effectively</li> <li>Understanding of how to plan/adapt the curriculum to ensure pupils make at least good progress</li> <li>Understanding of how to make learning creative, engaging and fun!</li> <li>Ability to work with children at all levels, regardless of specific individual pupil's need</li> <li>Understanding of importance of children's well-being</li> </ul>	
Professional skills	<ul> <li>Works effectively as part of a team</li> <li>Excellent English and maths skills</li> <li>Good behaviour management skills</li> <li>Confident IT user</li> <li>Good organisational skills</li> <li>Enthusiastic and well motivated</li> <li>Flexible and able to use initiative</li> <li>Ability to remain positive and retain a sense of humour!</li> </ul>	

