

Archbishop Runcie CE (VA) First School Person Specification – EYFS Support Assistant Level 3

Part A: Application Stage

The following criteria (experience, skills and qualifications) will be used to short-list at the application stage:

Essential

1	Experience of supporting pupils in a learning environment	
2	Knowledge of national or foundation stage curriculum	
3	Experience of classroom organisation	
4	Full and relevant Level 3 qualification for Teaching Assistants, or equivalent	
	qualification, to work in a Nursery setting	
5	GCSE in English and Maths or equivalent	
6	Able to support and uphold the Christian ethos of the school	

Desirable

7	Experience of advancing progress of pupils of relevant age within a learning environment
8	Supervision of staff
9	First Aid Training
10	Experience of administrative and clerical duties in a school or office environment

Part B: Assessment Stage

Items 1 and 2 of the application stage criteria and the criteria below will be further explored at the assessment stage:

Essential

1	Experience of using ICT to support pupils in the classroom		
2	Able to take an active role in co-ordinating reviews of pupil's progress		
	including liaising with other agencies as appropriate		
3	Able to produce accurate and up to date records and reports.		
4	Able to undertake observations and assessments of pupils including those		
	with special educational needs.		
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6	Able to work within and apply all relevant school policies and schemes of		
	work		
7	Able to contribute effectively to the planning of the teaching programme		
8	Committed to achieving further professional development		
9	Appropriate behaviour and attitude towards safeguarding and promoting the		
	welfare of children and young people including:		
	 motivation to work with children and young people 		
	 ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal 		
	boundaries with children and young people		
	 emotional resilience in working with challenging behaviours 		
	 attitude to use of authority and maintaining discipline. 		
	 able to work in partnership with other agencies 		

10	No disclosure about criminal convictions or safeguarding concern that makes	
	applicant unsuitable for this post.	

Desirable

11	Knowledge of SEN Code of Practice	
12	Able to lead, organise and motivate a group of Support Assistants Levels 1	
	and 2	

The following methods of assessment will be used:

Method		Method	
Interview	Yes	Presentation	No
Group activity	Yes	Task with pupils	Yes
Other (specify)	No	Other (specify)	No

Part C: Additional Requirements

The following criteria must be judged as satisfactory when pre-employment checks are completed:

1	Enhanced Certificate of Disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service
2	Additional criminal record checks if applicant has lived outside the UK
3	List 99 and/or POCA List (residential establishments only) check
4	Medical clearance
5	Two references from current and previous employers (or education
	establishment if applicant not in employment)