

Archbishop Runcie Church of England (VA) First School

Person Specification: Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA)

Part A: Application Stage

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

Essent	Essential		
1	Level 3 Basic Skills (English and Maths) or equivalent competency		
2	Higher Level Teaching Assistant status or other relevant qualification		
3	Able to teach effective lesson sequences and learning activities across the relevant curriculum, age and ability ranges including.		
4	Able to adapt learning to meet individual needs (particularly challenging the most able and supporting SEND).		
5	Experience of advancing pupils' progress in a range of classroom settings, including working with individuals, small groups and whole classes.		
6	Experience of producing lesson plans and worksheets and of assessing and marking.		
7	Experience and/knowledge of up to date teaching practices and educational research		
8	A good knowledge and understanding of subject(s) / curriculum areas and the relevant statutory and non- statutory curricula / frameworks / research recommendations		
9	A good, up to date working knowledge and understanding of effective teaching, learning, child development and behaviour management strategies and processes		
10	Excellent written and verbal communication skills including the use of Standard English		
11	Ability to promote and support the strong Christian ethos		
12	Evidence of relevant and on-going professional development and training, (not applicable for an ECT.)		

Desirable

13	Specialist skills or training in curriculum or learning area, e.g. behavior management, SEN, individual subject	
	areas	
14	Other interests / expertise that would benefit our children and our school	
15	Supervision of classroom support staff	
16	Experience of delivering a Synthetic Phonics Programme	
17	Appropriate Food hygiene training	
18	Appropriate First Aid training	
19	Experience and knowledge of administering medication in schools	

Part B: Assessment Stage

Items 1 - 5 of the application stage criteria and the criteria below will be further explored at the assessment stage:

Essential

20 22	Able to demonstrate professional competencies within the required standards					
23	Able to participate in planning, monitoring and assessment arrangements in partnership with the class teacher.					
25	Excellent IT skills and the proven ability to use them effectively to support					
	learning. Able to use IT knowledge and skills in the learning environment e.g. Tapestry, interactive boards					
26	Able to work collaboratively as member of a team and contribute to the professional development of colleagues, including the sharing of effective practice					
27	Able to relate well to children and adults and in particular able to establish positive relationships with pupils and parents					
28	Able to respond positively, flexibly and effectively to unexpected situations or perceived problems					
29	Able to take a responsive approach to children's needs to help address barriers to learning and well-being					
30	Able to work with minimal supervision.					
31	Committed to achieving further professional development					
32	 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 					
33	No disclosure about criminal convictions or safeguarding concern that makes applicant unsuitable for this post.					
34	An ability to assess and review learners' progress.					
35	Able to communicate effectively with children, colleagues and parents/carers.					
36	Able to engage and motivate learners in the school environment.					
37	Have (and consistently model) positive values, attitudes and have high expectations for learners.					
38	Able to plan, organise and prioritise and manage time effectively.					
39	Good verbal and interpersonal skills					
40	Have positive values, attitudes and have high expectations for learners and their behaviour					

Desirable

12	A willingness and / or ability to teach across the First School age range	
13	Willing and able to contribute to extra-curricular activities	
14	Willing and able to contribute to whole school development initiatives / school improvement planning / self- evaluation	
	Awareness of relevant legislation relating to child protection	

The following methods of assessment will be used:

ethod		Method	
Interview	Yes	Presentation	No
Lesson Observation	Yes	Structured discussion with pupils	No
Curriculum Task	Yes	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 within the 5 years prior to appointment	
3	Barred List Check	
4	Professional Registration check	
5	Two references from current and previous employers (or education establishment if applicant not in employment)	
6	Right to Work check and any other statutory check required by an educational establishment	
7	Medical clearance-as required under the Education (Health Standards) (England) Regulation 2003	
8	Satisfactory online checks in line with KCSIE 2022	