

RIPON GRAMMAR SCHOOL

PERSON SPECIFICATION – SEN TEACHING ASSISTANT & PERSONAL CARER

	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE/HELPFUL
QUALIFICATIONS	 Relevant NVQ Level 2 qualification or equivalent Literacy and Numeracy qualification, eg Level 2 or equivalent 	 Relevant NVQ Level 3 ELSA accreditation 3 Days First Aid Administration of medication in an Educational setting qualification Available to undertake training before the end of the academic year
OCCUPATIONAL	 Good written and verbal communication skills Good reading, writing and numeracy skills Basic ICT skills An awareness of students' development and learning An understanding that students have differing needs Good organisational and social skills 	 Good understanding of child development and learning processes Knowledge of behaviour management methods Knowledge of Child Protection and Health & Safety policies and procedures Knowledge of inclusive practice
EXPERIENCE	 Appropriate to working with children in a learning environment 	 Experience of working in a secondary school environment Experience of working with students with special needs

	Delivering literacy and SE support programmes on a 1:1 or small group basis.	
PERSONAL QUALITIES, MOTIVATION AND SOCIAL SKILLS	 A high level of emotional intelligence Committed to the staff and students within school, and wanting the best for them. Ability to work under pressure Good team player Sense of humour Helpful and supportive attitude Adaptable and flexible Supportive of school ethos Enthusiastic Able to show initiative Demonstrable interpersonal skills Confidentiality and flexibility 	
OTHER REQUIREMENTS	 Enhanced DBS clearance To be committed to the school's policies and ethos To be committed to Continuing Professional Development 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 behaviour and attitudes Ability to use authority and maintain discipline An empathy for equality and diversity. 	