

**Saint John's
Person Specification
SEN Teaching Assistant**

	Essential	Desirable
Qualification	Level 2 teaching assistant or equivalent	
Experience	Experience of working with children with special educational needs.	
Knowledge and Understanding	<p>Be familiar with a range of strategies that support children's learning, particularly regarding speech and language.</p> <p>Be familiar with child development, especially their emotional development and the processes by which children learn and acquire social skills.</p>	An understanding of child development, especially their physical, social and emotional development.
Personal and Professional Qualifications	<p>The ability to show motivation and initiative when following the teacher's planning</p> <p>The ability to work co-operatively and flexibly in a team situation.</p> <p>The ability to show patience and understanding and respond appropriately to all children</p> <p>The ability to assess and monitor pupil's progress and feed back to the class teacher regarding the pupil progress.</p> <p>The ability to identify and prepare appropriate resources.</p> <p>To attend to pupils needs including social and health.</p> <p>The ability to help children thrive and enjoy learning.</p>	The ability to independently plan activities.
Professional Development	A willingness to further develop personal practice.	Evidence of professional development undertaken.
References	Two fully supported professional references.	