**Person Specification**

**All Saints’ Catholic Voluntary Academy**

**Learning Support Assistant**

**September 2021**

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| **CATEGORY/ITEM** | **ESSENTIAL** | **DESIRABLE** | **EVIDENCE** |
| **The Academy** |
| Willing to support the Christian tradition and spiritual ethos of the school. | √ |  | AI |
| Willing and able to contribute to and share in the corporate life of the school. | √ |  | AI |
| **Professional Values and Practice** |
| Has high expectations of all students and is committed to providing support to assist pupils overcome barriers to learning and encourage raised educational achievement | √ |  | AI |
| Demonstrates and promotes positive values, attitudes, and behaviour | √ |  | ARI |
| Takes account of different interests, experiences, achievements of boys and girls, and students from different cultural and ethnic groups | √ |  | AI |
| Promotes equal opportunities | √ |  | ARI |
| **Knowledge and understanding**  |
| Has obtained at least GCSE qualifications or equivalent with a minimum Grade C or equivalent in English and Maths. | √ |  | A |
| Has obtained A Level qualifications or equivalents |  | √ | A |
| Holds a qualification related to working with children in a SEND environment |  | √ | A |
| Has experience of working with members of the public including young people aged 11 – 19. | √ |  | ARI |
| Is aware of the requirements for Key Stage 2 and Key Stage 5 and Further/Higher education. |  | √ | AI |
| Experience of using IT systems including Word processing and basic spread sheet operation. |  | √ | AI |
| Has a good understanding of issues that students with Special Educational needs may encounter and understands the importance of Inclusion in schools | √ |  | AI |
| Understands the responsibilities under the Keeping Children safe in education and SEND Code of Practice | √ |  | AI |
| Knows a range of strategies to promote good behaviour | √ |  | AI |
| Treats students consistently, with concern for development | √ |  | I |
| Understands the contribution of support staff and other professionals | √ |  | I |
| Is committed to Continuing Professional Development | √ |  | I |
| **Skills and Aptitudes** |
| Has good organisational skills. | √ |  | ARI |
| Works well both in a team and independently. | √ |  | ARI |
| Excellent written communication skills. | √ |  | A |
| Excellent verbal communication skills. | √ |  | AI |
| Pays attention to detail. | √ |  | AI |
| Maintains a clam and patient manner. | √ |  | AI |
| Is flexible/adaptable. | √ |  | AI |
| **Suitability to work with children** |
| Enhanced DBS | √ |  | ARI |
| **Specific requirements** |
| Confidentiality awareness | √ |  | ARI |

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