

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Penn Fields School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and requires all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

| Job title | Teaching, Learning & Support Assistant (TLSA) with responsibility for speech, language and communication |
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| Responsible to | SENCO & Senior Leadership Team |
| Salary Grade/Range | Grade 4/ £20,816.00 - £22,187.00/ 35hpw / 44.85 wks - Term Time Only |

SELECTION CRITERIA for the post (E-Essential, D-Desirable)

| 1. | NVQ 2 qualified / training or equivalent (childcare/early childhood studies/teaching | E |
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| | assistant or related qualification) | |
| | GCSE or Level 2 English & maths qualification | |
| 2. | NVQ 3 qualified / training or equivalent (childcare/early childhood studies/teaching | D |
| | assistant or related qualification) | |
| 3. | Experience of working with children in an educational setting and those with SEND | E |
| 4. | Ability to work within different school phases from key stage 1 – key stage 5 as | Е |
| | directed by senior leadership | |
| 5. | Good Computer / ICT skills | Е |
| | Effective communication skills | |
| | Positive behaviour management strategies – examples and evidence to be seen at | |
| | interview stage | |
| | Awareness of Child Protection / Safeguarding | |
| 6. | First aid qualification | D |
| | Food hygiene qualification | |
| | Ability to produce high level display work | |
| 7. | Experience of working with children with Communication and Interaction as a main | D |
| | area of need | |
| | Able to use Makaton and promote total communication approaches | |
| 8. | Ability to develop interventions programmes for SALT, producing resource and | D |
| | symbols to aid the implementation of these | |
| | Ability to organise workload and own timetable effectively | |
| | Work with a wide range of professionals | |
| | Ability to monitor progress and set new targets under guidance of the Speech and | E |
| | Language Therapist and SENCo | |
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| 9. | Well presented, punctual & professional High expectations of self and children | E | |
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| | Able to work on own initiative | | |
| | Professionally discreet & able to respect confidentiality | | |
| | Well organised | | |
| | Good team player | | |
| | Enthusiastic | | |
| | Ability to adapt to a variety of situations, under pressure but still remaining level | | |
| | headed | | |
| 10. | Willingness to support students on extra-curricular and residential visits | D | |
| | Clean driving licence | | |
| 11. | Awareness of equal opportunities | Е | |
| | Awareness of Health and Safety issues | | |
| | Awareness of trauma sensitive approaches | | |

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