## **Person Specification**

Name of school: Long Sutton C of E Primary

Teaching Assistant Job Title:

Line Manager:

Grade:

Grade: 15 job description (pay: Scale 2 – 3)

This person specification should be used in relation to the relevant Job Description

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	The Teaching Assistant should have:  good basic education to GCSE level in literacy and numeracy, or the equivalent	In addition, the Teaching Assistant might have experience of:  • A relevant qualification in Childcare and/or Education
Experience	<ul> <li>The Teaching Assistant should have:</li> <li>Knowledge of working in an educational environment.</li> <li>Experience of working with children with special needs</li> <li>Experience of working with children with Social &amp; Emotional needs</li> <li>Experience of supporting children's learning in the classroom</li> </ul>	In addition, the Teaching Assistant might have experience of:  • Working 1 to 1 with children with specific needs/ASD  • Experience of working with outside agencies e.g. EP, ASD service, OT etc  • Experience of adapting plans to meet the child's individual needs  • Experience of using Early Developmental Journal  • Adapting the class teachers plans to meet the needs of the individual
Knowledge and Understanding	The Teaching Assistant should have knowledge and understanding of:  • the needs of children;  • child development and the ways in which children learn;  • the roles played by various adults in a child's education;  • behaviour management strategies;  • equal opportunities  • safeguarding	
Skills	<ul> <li>The Teaching Assistant will be able to:</li> <li>help professional staff to achieve their objectives;</li> <li>teach children on an individual basis, in small group and whole class work;</li> <li>explain tasks simply and clearly and foster independence;</li> <li>supervise children, and adhere to defined behaviour management policies;</li> <li>accept and respond to authority and supervision;</li> <li>work with guidance, but under limited supervision;</li> <li>liaise and communicate effectively with others;</li> <li>demonstrate good organisational skills;</li> <li>reflect on and develop professional practice;</li> <li>Ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>In addition, the Teaching Assistant might also be able to:         <ul> <li>monitor, record and make basic assessments about individual progress</li> <li>suggest alternative ways of helping children if they are unable to understand;</li> <li>describe, in simple terms, the process of behaviour management with children;</li> <li>identify gaps in their own experience that they need help in filling;</li> <li>First Aid, Personal Care training</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<ul> <li>Good interpersonal skills</li> <li>Ability to adapt to change at short notice</li> <li>Ability to work co-operatively and flexibly within a team</li> <li>Ability to use ICT to enhance learning</li> </ul>	