

Person Specification: Pathway Lead at Columbia Grange School

Area	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	 Qualified Teacher Status Degree 	 Evidence of further study/qualifications Evidence of further qualifications particularly linked to SEND
Experience	 Outstanding classroom practitioner. Experience of working with pupils who have SEND. Experience of working successfully and cooperatively as part of a team within a primary school or special school. Experience of developing and motivating staff. Demonstrate success in raising standards and meeting challenging targets. Experience of strategic development to raise pupil standards. Experience and evidence of improving teaching and learning. Have experience of safeguarding and child protection issues and how to implement them. 	 Experience of working in more than one key stage or pathway. Experience of developing a curriculum area, phase or pathway. Experience and evidence of improving teaching and learning beyond own classroom. Evidence of recent CPD, in relation to curriculum, SEND, leadership and management. Have contributed to and have evidence of impact on the professional development of colleagues. Have experience of teaching systematic, synthetic phonics.
Skills, Knowledge and Aptitude	 Have excellent inter-personal skills and an approachable style of leadership. Excellent oral and written skills with the ability to communicate effectively in a variety of situations and with all stakeholders. Excellent, positive behaviour management. Good organisational skills, able work under pressure, prioritise and meet tight deadlines. Have a clear understanding of primary age children, including those with additional and complex needs. 	 Ability to work effectively with other schools and agencies. Able to set appropriate targets for the improvement of school performance. Develop a clear vision for the pathway, in line with school ethos, and inspire others to be motivated to share this vision. Have an understanding of strategies and approaches to teaching pupils with SEND.

	 Knowledge of how to support staff to improve the quality of teaching and learning. Ability to build on current achievements and raise standards further. Able to analyse and use data to identify targets for individuals and groups to secure improved outcomes. Ability to support and motivate colleagues – leading by example. Knowledge of assessment processes for pupils with SEND. Knowledge of the SEND Code of Practice and the annual review process. 	
Additional Factors	 Ability to build and sustain effective working relationships and partnerships with children, staff, parents/carers, governors and the wider community. A readiness to work in partnership with other schools, key agencies and organisations. High personal standards of integrity and probity, adhering to the Trust's code of conduct. A sense of humour and fun, even under pressure. Self-confidence, allied with the ability to listen to and take advice from others. Have a clear educational philosophy, with the ability to translate it into practice. Resilience. Flexible - to meet the demanding nature of this role, with the ability to reflect and change. Committed to continuous personal and professional development. Engage in school's extracurricular activities (e.g., clubs, visits, school fayres etc) 	