

Oak Learning Trust

Person Specification: Assistant Head (L5-L9) at Columbia Grange School

Area	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	Qualified Teacher Status.	Middle leadership qualification.
Experience	 2 years leadership experience. Leadership and management of a significant area that has led to raising standards across phase/pathways/key stage or core subject. Experience of raising standards across the whole school. Experience of working with pupils who have additional needs including a diagnosis of autism. Evidence of developing SEND provision. Delivering outstanding teaching with a passion for learning. Accountability for and proven track record of school improvement. Experience of developing staff and planning and delivering CPD. Experience of working with parents/carers and external agencies. 	 Developing parental relationships to support learning. Experience of working in a provision which caters for pupils with autism. Involvement in forest school initiatives and activities.

Skills, Knowledge and Aptitude	 Excellent knowledge of assessment for pupils with SEND. An excellent understanding of the essential components of effective teaching and learning. Excellent knowledge of how to support staff to improve the quality of teaching and learning and outcomes for pupils. Good knowledge of safeguarding and child protection issues. Be able to develop good and effective working relationships with all relevant school partners. An ability to work effectively under pressure. Be able to communicate effectively, using a variety of means, to a wide range of audiences. Ability to support, motivate and inspire colleagues, leading by example. Have experience of teaching systematic phonics. Be able to identify where aspects of the national curriculum can support and enhance teaching and learning within a specialist provision for specific pupils and support staff to implement. 	 A good understanding of learning outside of the classroom. Knowledge and experience of the negotiated curriculum.
Additional Factors	 Clear personal vision for education. Ambition and drive for pupil and school improvement. Creativity, energy and enthusiasm. Contribute to the school's role within the community. Promote the school's vision and ethos. Positive approach to all aspects of school life. Committed to continuous personal and professional development. Engage in school's extracurricular activities (e.g., discos, school fairs etc). Good relationships with all stakeholders. 	