

## **PERSON SPECIFICATION: Mealtime Supervisor**

Job Title:Mealtime SupervisorLine Manager:School Business ManagerThis person specification should be used in relation to the relevant Job Description

	Essential	Desirable
Experience	Experience of working with children or young people	<ul> <li>Experience of lunchtime supervisory role or experience of working with children in a school environment</li> <li>Experience of actively initiating and promoting play activities with children</li> <li>Successful completion of relevant</li> </ul>
		training course e.g first aid, hygiene etc Experience of working effectively as a member of a team
Skills	Effective communication skills and good literacy skills	Play leader skills and/or experience First Aid qualification
	Communicate clearly with staff and children	Up to date safeguarding qualification
	Ability to work effectively as a part of a team. Ability to motivate and positively interact with children. Ability to engage children in cooperative play	Knowledge of different playground games and activities
	Settle disputes between children calmly and fairly	1.
	React calmly and appropriately in an emergency, with the health and safety of both pupils and staff a prime concern.	
	Ability to supervise and organise pupils during the dining hall and during lunchtime play. Able to promote the safe and appropriate use of play equipment through example and guidance	
	Ability to maintain confidentiality Ability to show initiative and apply effective strategies to deal wit situations which may arise in school	h

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Knowledge and Understanding	<ul> <li>The Teaching Assistant will be able to:</li> <li>help all staff to achieve their objectives;</li> <li>assist 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 and ability to show initiative;</li> <li>liaise and communicate effectively with others whilst maintaining confidentiality;</li> <li>demonstrate good organisational skills;</li> <li>reflect on and develop professional practice;</li> <li>display work effectively, and make and maintain basic teaching resources.</li> <li>Know and apply positive handling techniques for managing behaviour and personal skills</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>In addition, the Teaching Assistant might also be able to:</li> <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>demonstrate the ability to learn and adapt from past experience.</li> </ul>
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