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	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications and Training	 Qualified Teacher Status Accredited SENCo qualification or commitment to undertake the accredited SENCo qualification Have evidence of continuous participation in in-service development and a commitment to further professional development 	Qualification for the assessing and teaching of pupils with specific learning difficulties
Experience	 Be a qualified teacher with at least three years' experience Have experience of teaching in a Primary School Have experience of working successfully and cooperating as a member of a team Have experience of leading the training of other teachers Have experience of setting targets and monitoring, evaluating and recording progress 	 Working within a Leadership Team Experience of FS, KS1 and/or KS2 assessment and administering KS1 and/or KS2 SATs Dealing successfully with challenging and sensitive situations in a primary school setting Experience of introducing new initiatives and/or of managing change
Professional Values	 Support the aims and ethos of St. Vincent De Paul R.C. Primary School. Establish and maintain excellent professional relationships with pupils, parents and colleagues Set high expectations of all pupils and be committed to raising educational achievement To adopt a flexible approach to working 	
Knowledge and Understanding	 Understand the statutory requirements of legislation concerning safeguarding including child protection, equal opportunities, health and safety and SEN Understanding of the statementing and Educational Health Care Plan process and the evidence needed Understand the theory and practice of providing effectively for the individual needs of all children (e.g. classroom organisation and learning strategies) Understand the SEN Code of Conduct and its practical 	Understanding of the use of comparative information about attainment

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	application strategies for meeting the special educational needs of pupils in a mixed ability classroom Knowledge of behaviour management techniques for groups and individuals Knowledge of planning and implementing an effective teaching programme and Individual Education Plans, including the monitoring, assessment, recording and reporting of pupils' progress Understanding the positive links necessary within school, a child's home and external agencies Understanding effective teaching and learning styles Understanding how to establish an effective rapport with children which is based on high expectations and how to establish a purposeful learning environment where all pupils feel secure and confident Knowledge of how to use ICT effectively as an integral part of teaching and learning Understanding the role of external services that support the provision for SEN pupils within schools
Skills	 Ability to promote the school's aims positively and use effective strategies to enhance motivation and morale Establish and develop a sound professional relationship with a class and groups of pupils Demonstrate excellent teaching and learning skills and be able to create a positive, challenging and effective learning environment