

St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School

Person Specification – Play Assistant

	Essential = E Desirable = D	Identified by
Knowledge		
An understanding children’s differing needs including children with impairments	E	A/I
An understanding of Health & Safety legislation	E	A/I
Skills and Abilities		
Communication skills – verbal and written	E	A/I
Ability to act on own initiative	E	A/I
Team working	E	A/I
Ability to understand, build and maintain successful relationships with children, their families and colleagues	E	A/I
Ability to remain calm and flexible under pressure	D	A/I
Understanding of child protection procedures and the ability to use these in practice;		
Experience of applying inclusion policies	D	A/I
Qualifications		
Recognised childcare qualification in childcare or play related field	E	A
First aid qualification or willingness to train for qualification	D	A/I
Experience		
Experience of working with children	E	A/I
Playwork experience in pre-school or educational setting	D	A/I
Voluntary sector working	D	A