## **PERSON SPECIFICATION**

SCHOOL: BUSH HILL PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL GRADE: SCALE 6

**JOB TITLE: FINANCE OFFICER** 

Possible evidence

\*may use any of the following:

\*A = from application I = at interview T = written test P = presentation O = observation

| ITEM   | ESSENTIAL (Minimum standard required)   | DESIRABLE CONSIDERATIONS (optional extras)  | COMMENTS<br>(Possible<br>evidence) |
|--|---|---|------------------------------------|
| EDUCATION/QUALIFICATIONS Educational Professional Training | Educated to GCSE Level with Maths<br>and English at Grades A*-C or<br>equivalent  | <ul> <li>Relevant finance/accounting<br/>qualifications</li> <li>Qualifications in ICT</li> </ul>   | А, Т                               |
| EXPERIENCE   | <ul> <li>Relevant experience of working in an accounts-based environment using a computerised finance package</li> <li>Proven numerical skills with good experience of spreadsheets</li> <li>Liaising with people at all levels</li> <li>Experience of undertaking a range of administrative duties, including data input and retrieval.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Experience of school Finance<br/>systems</li> <li>Working in an education setting</li> </ul>   | A, I<br>T<br>A, I<br>T             |
| KNOWLEDGE  | <ul> <li>Knowledge and experience of computer systems, including the suite of Microsoft packages including, Word, Excel, Email</li> <li>School MIS (Management Information Systems)</li> <li>Internet and Intranet systems</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Knowledge of audit requirements</li> <li>Working knowledge of good procurement procedures</li> <li>Knowledge of VAT and IR35 rules</li> <li>Knowledge of double-entry bookkeeping</li> </ul> | A, T A, I                          |

| Understanding of relevant finance regulations and statutory requirements   | I  |
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| To maintain a high level of honesty,   | A, I   |
| A confident, mature and welcoming manner when dealing with staff and   | I  |
| Ability to communicate effectively, in writing and orally, with a wide variety   | A, I, T  |
| Ability to build and maintain effective working relationships with colleagues internally and with external   | I  |
| <ul> <li>A good sense of humour</li> <li>Excellent organisational skills and</li> </ul>  | I<br>I, T  |
| <ul> <li>ability to prioritise tasks and demands</li> <li>Ability to work calmly under pressure         and have the ability to adapt quickly         and effectively to changing</li> </ul> | A, I, T  |
| <ul><li>circumstances/ situations</li><li>Ability to cope with conflicting demands, deadlines and interruptions</li></ul>  | ı  |
| Attention to detail and high degree of accuracy  Able to work well in a team and   | Т  |
| disciplined to work alone  The ability to show patience in difficult   | I, T<br>A, I, T  |
| and pressured situations   |  |
| <ul> <li>Training will be provided as necessary-<br/>must keep up with changing legislative<br/>and local requirements and be keen to<br/>learn, train and develop to enhance</li> </ul>     | A, I   |
|  | regulations and statutory requirements  To maintain a high level of honesty, integrity, discretion and confidentiality  A confident, mature and welcoming manner when dealing with staff and agencies  Ability to communicate effectively, in writing and orally, with a wide variety of people in a sensitive manner  Ability to build and maintain effective working relationships with colleagues internally and with external organisations  A good sense of humour  Excellent organisational skills and ability to prioritise tasks and demands  Ability to work calmly under pressure and have the ability to adapt quickly and effectively to changing circumstances/ situations  Ability to cope with conflicting demands, deadlines and interruptions  Attention to detail and high degree of accuracy  Able to work well in a team and disciplined to work alone  The ability to show patience in difficult and pressured situations  Training will be provided as necessarymust keep up with changing legislative and local requirements and be keen to |

| The post will require an Enhanced          | Α, Ι |
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| Disclosure and Barring Check,              |      |
| exemplary references, medical              |      |
| clearance and educational qualification    |      |
| checks.                                    |      |
| <ul> <li>Loyal and hard-working</li> </ul> | 1    |

## **DISQUALIFYING FACTORS**

| * Indication of sexist, racist or anti-disability attitudes or any other attitudes in connect with the | Essential |
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| Council's Equal Opportunities Policy.  |           |
| * An inability to provide relevant documentation which permits working in the U.K. e.g. passport, visa | Essential |
| and work permit, birth certificate., etc.  |           |