**NASCOT WOOD INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL**

**CANDIDATE SPECIFICATION**

**LEARNING ASSISTANT TO SUPPORT SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS**

**CANDIDATES WILL BE EXPECTED:**

* To demonstrate a sensitivity to the needs of young children and children with special educational needs
* To have some experience of working with children
* To be able to support in the provision of a quality learning environment for children
* To demonstrate the ability to work as a member of a team
* To be able to follow instructions and to use own initiative
* To demonstrate good communication skills
* To be enthusiastic and flexible
* To respect confidentiality
* To demonstrate an understanding and commitment to equal opportunities and promoting the safety and welfare of children
* To demonstrate a commitment to the whole ethos of the school and the school community
* To demonstrate respect for others and share a belief that all individuals matter
* To demonstrate commitment to CPD in order to develop a better understanding of the complex needs relating to the child with whom he/she will be working.

**DESIRABLE**

* To have an NVQ Level 2 in supporting teaching and learning or equivalent
* To have some experience of working with children with SEND
* Some experience of working with children with Autism/language and communication needs