**Vacancy:**  **Permanent SEN Level 2 Teaching Assistants**

 **Talbot Specialist School**

 **Sheffield**

**Post title:** VariousTeaching Assistant - Level 2

**Hours:** Full-time

 Permanent

 32.5 hours per week, term time plus 5 training days

**Salary:** Grade 4 £22,369 – 24,496 FTE

**Start date:**  30 October 2023

Are you passionate about making a difference in the lives of students with special educational needs? Come and join our warm and welcoming community at Talbot Specialist School and be part of our fantastic team!

We are looking to appoint inspirational and energetic practitioners to join our team of highly skilled and dedicated staff who work creatively with our students to deliver imaginative and exciting learning opportunities.

We have a new leadership team in place and are developing our curriculum and expanding our provision to include learning at different sites across the city. This is an exciting time to join the school and to be part of our amazing journey!

**Our School**

Talbot Specialist School is a recently inspected good school for students aged 11-19 with Cognition and Learning Difficulties – including emotional needs, behavioural needs, profound and complex learning difficulties and autism. We are based in the South of Sheffield, serving approximately 230 young people and their families from across the city. Situated on the same site as Newfield School, we offer high quality facilities which enable our students to be as independent and prepared as possible to have purposeful and fulfilled adult lives. We actively seek opportunities to promote inclusion and work closely with Newfield and other Sheffield Special Schools.

Do you have:

* Passion to work as part of an exceptional staff team to support our students to enjoy their time at school and achieve their potential
* Good communication and interpersonal skills with the ability to enthuse and motivate others
* Commitment to working in partnership with families and other agencies as part of a multi-disciplinary team
* Experience in working with young people with profound and complex learning difficulties and/or ASD
* Relevant training or qualifications (e.g. SEN, Team Teach, Positive Handling, First Aid)

Candidates should be willing to take responsibility for basic care and hygiene as part of their duties to ensure that the students can gain full access to the curriculum.  This includes meeting personal care needs and feeding.

Undertaking training in the following areas will be a requirement: Moving and Handling, Makaton Signing, Team Teach (Positive Handling Techniques), Safeguarding and Medical Needs.

We would encourage you to take a look at our website: [www.talbotlearningcommunity.org.uk](http://www.talbotlearningcommunity.org.uk)

If you would like to talk to anyone about the post, or would like to arrange a visit, please contact Nichola Jones, HR Support, 0114 2507394, HR@talbot.sheffield.sch.uk

**Closing date: Monday 2 October 2023 at 10am**

**Interview: Monday 9 October 2023**

Application packs are available by contacting Nichola Jones, HR Support, 0114 2507394, HR@talbot.sheffield.sch.uk

Please send completed forms to Nichola Jones, HR Support, 0114 2507394, HR@talbot.sheffield.sch.uk

The selection process involves shortlisting candidates through the matching of information from the application form and accompanying letter/statement to the person specification.

**Talbot Specialist School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.**

Safer recruitment practice and pre-employment checks will be undertaken before any appointment is confirmed.

This post involves working with children and therefore, if successful, you will be required to apply for a disclosure of criminal records check at an enhanced level and a barred list check. Further information about the Disclosure and Barring Service and can be found at [www.gov.uk/disclosure-barring-service-check](http://www.gov.uk/disclosure-barring-service-check).

We are an equal opportunities employer committed to recruiting and retaining a diverse workforce.

All candidates are advised to refer to the job description and person specification before making an application.

We reserve the right to close this vacancy early should we receive an overwhelming response.