## **Person Specification- Assistant Headteacher**

	Essential	Desirable	How Identified
Qualifications	<ul><li>degree or equivalent</li><li>DfE recognised teaching qualification</li></ul>	Able to offer expertise in more than one area of school life	Application form
Training	evidence of professional development in the last three years	<ul> <li>evidence of further training in leadership and management e.g. NCSL TLR, Leading from the Middle or NPQML, NPQSL</li> </ul>	Application form
Successful Experience	<ul> <li>at least 4 years successful classroom experience within the primary age range</li> <li>experience of leading a curriculum area and/or phase</li> <li>ways to communicate and implement a shared vision</li> <li>managing change, creativity and innovation</li> <li>developing strategies for raising achievement and achieving excellence of leading, taking part in building successful teams</li> <li>bench marking, tracking, target setting and assessment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>experience across the school</li> <li>experience of working with children and parents from diverse backgrounds</li> <li>experience of working in a school with some challenging circumstances</li> </ul>	Application form, interview process, references
Knowledge & Understanding	<ul> <li>working in a Catholic school</li> <li>effective behaviour management strategies</li> <li>strategies for ensuring inclusive practices</li> <li>knowledge of the new curriculum and assessment</li> <li>sensitivity to the faith communities of all the children attending St Cuthbert and The First Martyrs' Catholic Primary School</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>strategic planning processes</li> <li>evaluating change and its impact on school improvement</li> <li>legal issues relating to managing a school including Health &amp; Safety, Safeguarding and Equal Opportunities.</li> </ul>	Application form, interview process

Disposition & Attitude	<ul> <li>of appropriate assessment, data analysis, monitoring and evaluation procedures for school improvement</li> <li>commitment to the Catholic life of the school.</li> <li>commitment to inclusion and the right for all to fulfil their potential</li> <li>high expectations for pupil achievement</li> <li>ability to prioritise workload and work to specific deadlines</li> <li>to inspire, challenge, motivate and empower others</li> <li>commitment to raising standards</li> <li>excellent interpersonal and communication skills which acknowledge excellence and challenge poor performance</li> <li>foster an open, fair and equitable culture</li> <li>sustaining personal motivation and that of all staff</li> <li>commitment to networking and collaboration between schools</li> <li>respect for different religions and cultures.</li> </ul>	Application form, interview process, references
Physical & Sensory	ability to balance competing demands of the post and manage own workload	Application form, interview process, references
Personal Circumstances	able to work in a flexible way, which may involve out of school hours	Application form, interview process, references