Want to turn your special needs experience into a career?

Leading education recruitment company Supply Desk has put a call out for parents, friends and relatives with experience caring for children with special needs to consider turning their valuable skills into a career in education.

Typical support roles that Supply Desk is recruiting for include (but are not limited to) working with pupils with ASD, behavioural needs, BSL and/or Makaton, speech and language and ADHD. Supply Desk have a wide range of roles which require working closely with children who need additional support with their physical, cognitive, emotional or social development.

Group Strategic Development Director Clare Othman says that the support sector is the fastest growing staffing requirement for the schools across the UK that work with Supply Desk. "SEN support staff play a vital role in ensuring education is accessible and inclusive – for all children in the community", Clare states. "We can always find rewarding work in great schools for people with an understanding of special educational needs as they already have developed many of the critical skills needed for this role, such as patience, kindness, a calm demeanour, and an empathy and respect for inclusive practice.

"SEND support jobs are an incredibly rewarding employment choice for supportive and caring people who possess exceptional communication skills and a genuine ability to work as a positive team.

"Because of the breadth of schools we work with", Clare continues, "we are able to find people roles in schools that



fit their educational philosophies, working within the hours they choose. That 'person matching' is crucial. Our mission is to help raise education standards by ensuring the right fit between staff and schools. We know that happy, valued support staff inspire pupils, and play an integral role in helping those with special needs fulfil their potential."

Supply Desk supplies specialist training to all support staff, including ASD training, British Sign Language, manual handling, and Team Teach training. This ensures staff have a thorough understanding of child development and SEN.

To register your interest in turning your special needs experience into an SEN career, visit **www.supplydesk.co.uk**