

ADVERT ID 250904

Principal Teacher

Scoil Naomh Mearnog

Strand Road Portmarnock Co. Dublin Portmarnock D13PF29
<https://www.stmarnocksns.ie>

MAIN DETAILS

Status: Active
Level: Primary
Date Posted: Fri Apr 24 2026
Application Closing Date: Mon May 11 2026
Commencement Date: Tue Sep 1 2026
Status of Post: Permanent

SCHOOL DETAILS

School Type: Mainstream with Special Classes
School Structure: Vertical
Gender: Co-Educational
School Patronage: Catholic
Total No. of Teaching Staff: 37
Current Enrolment: 643
Droichead school: Yes

POST DETAILS

Additional Information:

St Marnock's National School Portmarnock, Dublin is a Catholic, co-educational primary school under the patronage of the Archbishop of Dublin.

The Board of Management of St Marnock's National School, invites applications from suitably qualified candidates for the position of Principal.

This is a permanent position, beginning September 1st 2026, to be appointed through open competition in line with Circular 0044/2019.

The school has 643 pupils enrolled in 24 mainstream classes, 1 Developmental Language Disorder (DLD) and/or Speech Sound Disorder (SSD) class and 2 special Autism classes.

The successful candidate will be a leader who is committed to the ethos of Catholic education and will lead the school in partnership with staff, parents and the wider community. The roles and responsibilities of this post relate to the four domains of Leadership and Management, as specified in circular 0044/2019.

1. Leading teaching and learning
2. Managing the organisation
3. Leading school development
4. Developing leadership capacity

The successful candidate will be an experienced educational leader who can demonstrate:

- A clear understanding of and commitment to upholding the Catholic ethos of the school
- Knowledge and capacity to successfully lead and administer a large school
- Experience in prioritising, planning and organising workload
- Previous experience in policy development.
- Excellent communication and people management skills

- A willingness to work collaboratively and foster positive relationships with all members of the school community
- A willingness and ability to work in partnership with external agencies
- An in-depth knowledge of the Primary curriculum and a broad range of teaching experience
- Experience in the development, implementation, operation and evaluation of innovative school-based initiatives.
- An excellent working knowledge of special education needs and of inclusion and diversity in education
- A commitment to and evidence of continuing professional development especially in the area of school leadership.

All applications to be submitted by email only to stmarnocksprincipal26@gmail.com. Please clearly mark "Principal Teacher Application" in the subject bar.

Closing Date: Monday 11th May 2pm 2026. Late applications will not be accepted. Canvassing will disqualify.

Appointment will be subject but not limited to:

- Satisfactory references
- Current & continuing Teaching Council registration
- Current Garda Vetting requirements
- Occupational Health screening

A minimum of 3 applications that meet the short-listing criteria are required for the process to proceed. Shortlisting will apply and only those shortlisted will be contacted for interview.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- [It is a requirement to hold a valid Statutory Declaration and to complete the Form of Undertaking for this position.](#)
- [Standard Application Form for Principalship/Deputy Principalship - in English](#)
- Letter of Application
- Referees (name, role, contact no.)

Applications may be submitted by

- Email

APPLY TO THIS JOB VACANCY

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