

ADVERT ID 254669

Principal Teacher

Bekan National school

St. Joseph's NS Bekan Claremorris F12 RP44
<https://www.bekanschool.ie>



MAIN DETAILS

Status: Active
Level: Primary
Date Posted: Tue Jun 9 2026
Application Closing Date: Thu Jun 25 2026
Commencement Date: Mon Aug 31 2026
Status of Post: Permanent

SCHOOL DETAILS

School Type: Mainstream
School Structure: Vertical
Gender: Co-Educational
School Patronage: Catholic
Total No. of Teaching Staff: 9
Current Enrolment: 178
Droichead school: Yes

POST DETAILS

Panel of Applicants:

An internal panel of suitable applicants may be set up to fill vacancies which may occur within a specific time period (four months for teacher posts and the duration of the school year for SNA posts) from the date on which the Board approves the successful candidate.

Additional Information:

St. Joseph's NS, Bekan, Claremorris, Co. Mayo is a co-educational primary school under the patronage of the Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of Tuam

St. Joseph's is a vibrant, inclusive, and welcoming co-educational primary school, committed to fostering a nurturing, supportive, and child-centred learning environment where every single pupil is encouraged to reach their full potential.

Currently there are 178 pupils on roll. The present staff comprises of an administrative principal, seven mainstream class teachers, two SET teachers, one part-time EAL/ SET teacher and three SNAs.

The Board of Management of St. Joseph's NS, Bekan, invites applications from suitably qualified candidates for the position of Principal.

This is a permanent position to be appointed through open competition in line with Circular 0044/2019 from the start of the 2026 – 2027 academic year.

The appointment process will be governed by the terms of Circular 0044/2019. The roles and responsibilities for the post relate directly to the four domains of leadership and management as set out in Circular 0044/2019 and "Looking at our Schools 2022: A Quality Framework for Primary Schools and Special Schools":

1. Leading Teaching and Learning
2. Managing the Organisation

- 3. Leading School Development
- 4. Developing Leadership Capacity

The successful candidate will ideally demonstrate:

- A strong understanding of, and a clear commitment to, upholding the Catholic ethos, values and traditions of the school.
- Proven leadership, administrative and management experience within a primary school setting. Along with excellent interpersonal, communication and people management skills.
- Extensive knowledge and experience in the area of special educational needs, together with a strong commitment to inclusion in education.
- A thorough knowledge and understanding of the Primary School Curriculum and of effective teaching and learning practices in a primary school setting.
- Experience in the development, implementation and evaluation of innovative school-based projects and policies.
- A proven ability to build and sustain positive, collaborative relationships with staff, pupils, parents, the Board of Management and external agencies.
- Evidence of continuing professional development, most particularly in the line of school leadership.

Application Requirements:

- Fully registered with the Teaching Council (Route 1 – Primary).
- Applicants are required to have a minimum of 5 years teaching experience, two of which must be in a recognised primary School in Ireland.
- It is a requirement to hold a recognised Certificate to Teach Religious Education.
- The appointment will be subject to Patron Approval, Garda Vetting requirements, Occupational Health Screening and satisfactory references.
- A minimum of three valid applications is required for the competition to proceed.

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
- Copy of Certificates, Diplomas, Degrees
- Teaching Council Registration
- Recognised Certificate to Teach Religious Education

Applications may be submitted by

- Post

APPLY TO THIS JOB VACANCY

Roll Number:	136591
Apply To:	Application The Chairperson, St. Joseph's N.S. Bekan Claremorris F12 RP44
County:	Mayo
Enquiries To:	principal@bekanns.net
Website:	https://www.bekanschool.ie
Further Information:	https://www.bekanschool.ie
Application Form:	Application-Form-for-Primary-Principalship-and-Deputy-Principalship-June 2024.pdf