

ADVERT ID 255654

Special Needs Assistant

Kilcumreragh NS

Rosemount Moate N37 HN96

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MAIN DETAILS

Status: Active
Level: Primary
Date Posted: Tue Jun 16 2026
Application Closing Date: Tue Jun 30 2026
Commencement Date: Tue Sep 1 2026
Status of Post: Permanent
Number of Vacancies: 1

SCHOOL DETAILS

School Type: Mainstream
School Structure: Vertical
Gender: Co-Educational
School Patronage: Catholic
Total No. of Teaching Staff: 6
Current Enrolment: 104
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:

Special Needs Assistant (SNA) – Mainstream Primary School

Kilcumreragh NS invites applications for the position of Special Needs Assistant (SNA) to support pupils with additional care needs in a mainstream primary school setting.

Essential Requirements

A recognised SNA qualification meeting current Department of Education requirements.

Experience working with children in a primary school setting.

Ability to support pupils with a range of additional needs, including:

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)

Emotional and behavioural needs

Sensory impairments and complex care needs

Excellent communication, teamwork and interpersonal skills.

Ability to work collaboratively with teachers, parents and external professionals.

Flexibility, initiative and a child-centred approach.

Desirable Experience and Skills

Experience supporting pupils who use hearing support technology, including the care and maintenance of hearing equipment.

Experience supporting pupils with visual impairments and familiarity with visual support equipment and resources.

Knowledge of assistive technologies and digital learning tools used to support inclusion and access to the curriculum.
Interest in and confidence using digital technology to enhance pupil engagement and learning.
Experience implementing behaviour support strategies and promoting positive inclusion within the classroom environment.
Relevant training in areas such as autism, sensory processing, communication supports, intimate care, manual handling or medical care needs.

Key Responsibilities

Support the care and educational needs of assigned pupils in accordance with Department of Education Circulars and school policies.

Assist pupils in accessing the curriculum and participating fully in school life.

Support pupils with organisational, communication, sensory and social needs.

Assist with the care, monitoring and maintenance of specialised hearing, visual and assistive technology equipment where required.

Promote pupil independence, confidence and wellbeing.

Maintain confidentiality and uphold child safeguarding procedures at all times.

Standard Application Form and letter of application

Applications must be accompanied by the contact details of a minimum of 3 professional referees. Referees must be available during holiday period.

The Closing date for the receipt of applications is 30th June at 3pm applications received after this time will not be considered. Only those shortlisted for interview will be contacted

Applications should be submitted by email only

Candidates will be invited to interview via email only.

Applicants who are deemed to be members of the SNA Supplementary Panel with supplementary panel rights, must furnish a certified copy of a completed Panel Form (PF1) with their application

Appointment will be subject to satisfactory references, current Garda Vetting requirements and Occupational Health screening.

Kilcrumreragh NS is an equal opportunities employer and is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all children.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- [It is a requirement to hold a valid Statutory Declaration and to complete the Form of Undertaking for this position.](#)
- Letter of Application
- [Standard Application Form for SNA Posts - in English](#)
- CV (Digital)

Applications may be submitted by

- Email

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