

ADVERT ID 255932

## Special Needs Assistant

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### Scoil Naomh Pádraig Measc

Caherleaheen NS (Scoil Naomh Pádraig Measc.) Caherleaheen Tralee V92 W248  
<https://www.caherleaheen.com>

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#### MAIN DETAILS

**Status:** Active  
**Level:** Primary  
**Date Posted:** Thu Jun 18 2026  
**Application Closing Date:** Thu Jul 2 2026  
**Commencement Date:** Thu Aug 27 2026  
**Status of Post:** Standard SNA  
**Number of Vacancies:** 3

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#### SCHOOL DETAILS

**School Type:** Mainstream  
**School Structure:** Vertical  
**Gender:** Co-Educational  
**School Patronage:** Catholic  
**Total No. of Teaching Staff:** 11  
**Current Enrolment:** 168  
**Droichead school:** Yes

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#### POST DETAILS

##### Additional Information:

Caherleaheen invites applications from highly dedicated and enthusiastic candidates for the positions of Special Needs Assistants. We are advertising three SNA positions. These permanent positions arise from the school's recent special class provision, a retirement and the third permanent position is a part-time 0.6 appointment. Successful candidates may be required to work in a special class setting and/or mainstream setting, depending on the needs of the school and pupils.

The successful candidates will demonstrate flexibility, initiative, professionalism and a willingness to work collaboratively as part of a highly effective team in supporting pupils with additional care and educational needs.

The following experience, skills and attributes are advantageous:

- Experience supporting pupils with a range of additional needs, including sensory, communicative, emotional, behavioural and significant care needs.
- Experience supporting pupils with ASD in special class and/or mainstream settings and transitions.
- Knowledge of, and experience contributing to, the development, implementation and review of Primary Care Plans (PCPs) and pupil support plans.
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills and an ability to work effectively with school staff, parents and external professionals.
- A commitment to supporting the dignity, wellbeing and holistic development of every pupil.
- Relevant training and/or experience in areas such as autism, communication supports, manual handling, intimate care, first aid, occupational therapy-informed approaches, or behaviour support.

Candidates should be willing to engage in continuing professional development and undertake courses relevant to the needs of the pupils and the school. Appointment is subject to current

Garda Vetting requirements and occupational health screening.

Applications will be accepted by post only and must be received no later than 3.00 p.m. on the specified closing date. Please mark "SNA Application" on the envelope.

Only applicants who are shortlisted for interview will be contacted.

[It is a requirement to hold a valid Statutory Declaration and to complete the Form of Undertaking for this position upon offer of employment.](#)

#### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- [Standard Application Form for SNA Posts - in English](#)

Applications may be submitted by

- Post

#### APPLY TO THIS JOB VACANCY

**Roll Number:** 16917T  
**Apply To:** Caherleaheen NS  
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