

ADVERT ID 255991

## Special Needs Assistant

### Thomond Primary School

BALLYNANTY LIMERICK V94 C2R7  
<https://www.thomondps.ie>



#### MAIN DETAILS

**Status:** Active  
**Level:** Primary  
**Date Posted:** Mon Jun 22 2026  
**Application Closing Date:** Mon Jul 6 2026  
**Commencement Date:** Mon Aug 31 2026  
**Status of Post:** Fixed-term  
**Number of Vacancies:** 1

#### SCHOOL DETAILS

**School Type:** Mainstream with Special Classes  
**School Structure:** Vertical  
**Gender:** Co-Educational  
**School Patronage:** Catholic  
**Classification:** DEIS Plus  
**Total No. of Teaching Staff:** 26  
**Current Enrolment:** 220  
**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:

Thomond Primary School is a mainstream primary school with two special classes for autistic learners. Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for a job share Special Needs Assistant (SNA) position, working on a one week on, one week off basis.

The successful candidate may be assigned to either a mainstream classroom or an ASD class. Placement is at the discretion of the Principal and may be subject to change in line with the evolving needs of the school throughout the academic year.

The ideal candidate will preferably have experience working with children presenting with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), Emotional and Behavioural Difficulties (EBD), Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), speech and language needs, and medical and physical care needs.

Candidates should demonstrate a strong work ethic, the ability to work effectively on their own initiative, and a flexible, child-centred approach. The successful applicant should be willing to work collaboratively as part of the wider school team and engage in ongoing professional learning and development. A commitment to maintaining strict confidentiality and professionalism at all times is essential.

Previous experience working in a DEIS school setting and/or in an ASD special class is highly desirable.

Applicants must hold the relevant qualifications in accordance with the Department of Education Circular 0051/2019 and must meet the terms and conditions of appointment as outlined in Department of Education Circular 0032/2026.

Appointments are subject to satisfactory references, current Garda Vetting requirements, Occupational Health Screening, completion of Children First online training, and compliance with all Department of Education requirements, including the completion of a Statutory Declaration and Form of Undertaking upon offer of employment.

Please clearly mark the envelope SNA APPLICATION – 'JOB SHARE' and include three copies of your application.

Applicants must provide a valid email address, as correspondence regarding interviews will be issued by email. Please note that only candidates shortlisted for interview will be contacted.

Please note that SNA allocations remain subject to review by the Department of Education and may be adjusted in accordance with the school's allocation.

[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

<b>Roll Number:</b>	20460W
<b>Apply To:</b>	Chairperson BOM, Thomond Primary School BALLYNANTY LIMERICK V94 C2R7
<b>County:</b>	Limerick
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