ADVERT ID 259842

Special Needs Assistant

St Michaels NS

St.Michael's NS Station Road Cootehill H16 P304
https://stmichaelns.ie

MAIN DETAILS

Status:	Deactivated
Level:	Primary
Date Posted:	Fri Jul 31 2026
Application Closing Date:	Fri Aug 14 2026
Commencement Date:	Tue Sep 1 2026
Status of Post:	Standard SNA
Number of Vacancies:	2

SCHOOL DETAILS

School Type:	Mainstream
School Structure:	Vertical
Gender:	Co-Educational
School Patronage:	Catholic
Classification:	DEIS 1
Total No. of Teaching Staff:	18
Current Enrolment:	253
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:
As a result of the establishment of our new Autism class, St Michael's National School invites applications for two full-time Special Needs Assistant (SNA) positions.
The successful candidates may be assigned to any SNA role within the school at any time, at the discretion of the Principal.

We are seeking individuals who demonstrate a strong work ethic, work effectively as part of a multidisciplinary team, and are committed to ongoing professional learning, reflective practice, and supporting the diverse needs of all pupils.

Essential Requirements
The successful applicants must have:
*Significant experience supporting pupils with Autism, communication differences, and complex needs.
*A strong understanding of, and practical experience implementing, *Positive Behaviour Support and Low Arousal Approaches.
*Experience supporting pupils who present with behaviours of concern.
*Excellent communication, interpersonal, and teamwork skills.
*A commitment to reflective practice and ongoing professional development.
*The ability to build positive, respectful relationships with pupils, colleagues, parents/guardians, and external professionals.
*Flexibility, initiative, and the ability to work collaboratively within a busy school environment.

Please Note
In accordance with Department of Education regulations and the operational needs of the school, Special Needs Assistants may be assigned to any SNA role within the school at the discretion of the Principal.

Conditions of Appointment:
Appointment is subject to:
*Satisfactory Garda Vetting.
*Occupational Health Screening.
*Completion of TUSLA Child Safeguarding Training.
*A valid Statutory Declaration.
*Completion of the Form of Undertaking upon offer of employment.

This position is subject to NCSE allocation and SENO review.
Additional Information:
*Due to the high volume of applications, only shortlisted candidates may be contacted.
*Shortlisted applicants will be invited to interview by email.

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

- Letter of Application
- Referees (name, role, contact no.)
- Copy of Certificates, Diplomas, Degrees
- CV (Digital)

Applications may be submitted by

- Email

APPLY TO THIS JOB VACANCY

Roll Number:	20277I
Apply To:	recruitment@stmichaelns.ie Application Process: Applications will only be accepted by email. Please ensure the subject line of your email clearly states "SNA Recruitment" to ensure your application is processed correctly. ** Only applications received by email with the appropriate subject line will be considered.**
County:	Cavan
Website:	https://stmichaelns.ie

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