

ADVERT ID 261879

Special Needs Assistant

St. Hilda's Special School

Grace Park Road Athlone N37YR62
<https://www.sthildas-specialschool.ie>

MAIN DETAILS

Status: Active
Level: Primary
Date Posted: Fri Sep 4 2026
Application Closing Date: Mon Sep 21 2026
Commencement Date: Mon Oct 12 2026
Status of Post: Permanent
Number of Vacancies: 3

SCHOOL DETAILS

School Type: Special School
School Structure: Vertical
Gender: Co-Educational
School Patronage: Other
Total No. of Teaching Staff: 11
Current Enrolment: 58
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. Hilda's is a special school: we educate students with moderate, severe and profound general learning disabilities and complex SEN between the ages of four and eighteen years.

Experience of working in a similar special school setting will be considered advantageous. The desired applicant will have experience working as part of a team within a classroom and be able to demonstrate initiative in helping students with special needs access the curriculum. PECS, Manual Handling, LÁMH, positive behaviour strategies, Level 6 SNA qualification are desirable. Additional qualification in special education, including autism or a related area is advantageous.

The school is recruiting to fill three permanent positions and two fixed term part time positions. Duties are as outlined by Department of Education Circulars and include supporting students presenting with behaviours of concern.

Applications by post only. Please submit a cover letter detailing how all essential criteria is met along with the standard application form for SNA posts.

Appointment will be subject, but not limited to: satisfactory references; current vetting requirements and Occupational Health Screening.

Only those shortlisted for interview will be contacted. Interviews will take place on the 9th of October.

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

- Referees (name, role, contact no.)
- Copy of Certificates, Diplomas, Degrees
- [Standard Application Form for SNA Posts - in English](#)

Applications may be submitted by

- Post

APPLY TO THIS JOB VACANCY

Roll Number: 19261J
Apply To: The Chairperson of the BOM
St Hilda's Special School,
Grace Park Road
Athlone
N37YR62
County: Westmeath
Website: <https://www.sthildas-specialschool.ie>

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