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Principal Teacher

Scoil Naomh Mhuire, Ballyhahill

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<https://www.ballyhahillns.org/>

MAIN DETAILS

Status: Active
Level: Primary
Date Posted: Thu Jan 22 2026
Application Closing Date: Tue Feb 10 2026
Commencement Date: Mon Apr 13 2026
Status of Post: Permanent

SCHOOL DETAILS

School Type: Mainstream
School Structure: Vertical
Gender: Co-Educational
School Patronage: Catholic
Classification: DEIS Rural
Total No. of Teaching Staff: 3
Current Enrolment: 39
Droichead school: Yes

POST DETAILS

Additional Information:

Scoil Naomh Mhuire is a vibrant and progressive 3 teacher Rural DEIS School situated in the village of Ballyhahill, Co Limerick, on an extensive, attractive and well maintained school campus which includes a playing pitch and PE Hall/General Purpose Room.

The school has a staff of 2 Mainstream Class Teachers, 1 Special Education Teacher and 1 Special Needs Assistant.

Scoil Mhuire has a highly supportive Parents Association and strong links with the Parish Community, local clubs and musical groups.

The Board of Management of Scoil Naomh Mhuire invites applications for the position of Principal Teacher initially deployed in a Special Education Teaching capacity.

Applicants must hold a recognised certificate to teach religion in the Republic of Ireland along with an understanding of, and commitment to, the ethos of a Catholic Primary School.

The essential roles and responsibilities of the post of Principal Teacher are determined by the 4 Domains of Leadership and Management as set out in Chapter 4 of DES Circular 0044/2019:

1. Leading Teaching and Learning
2. Managing the Organisation
3. Leading School Development
4. Developing Leadership Capacity

Eligibility Criteria for this position are also as set out in Chapter 4 of DES Circular 44/2019.

In addition, the following skills, experience and knowledge are desirable:

Knowledge, understanding and capacity to successfully manage the administrative and teaching duties of a school principal.

A full commitment to child centred primary education.

An in-depth knowledge of the primary school curriculum, along with a broad range of teaching experience including experience of teaching multi-grade classes.

A commitment to, and evidence of, continuing and relevant professional development.
Excellent class management, people management and inter-personal skills.
Proven ability to work as a team leader and team member.
Experience in prioritising, planning and organising workload.
Experience in the development, implementation, operation and evaluation of innovative school-based initiatives and projects; (e.g. Universal Design for Learning, Creative Schools, BLAST, Curious Minds, Say Yes to Modern Languages, Active Schools, STEM Initiatives, Seachtain na Gaeilge, Heritage in Schools, Literacy Projects).
A strong commitment to fostering positive home-school-community links and activities.
Experience of preparing children for the Sacraments of First Penance, First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation.
A keen interest in Irish Music and Culture.
A demonstrable commitment to promoting a variety of Extra-Curricular Activities (eg Music, Sport, Drama, The Arts and STEM) among the school pupils.
An understanding and competency in Information and Communications Technology (ICT).
A thorough knowledge of the "Bí Cineálta" Anti-Bullying Programme for Primary Schools.
The Principal will also be the Designated Liaison Person (DLP) for Child Protection purposes and must be fully familiar with current Child Protection Requirements and Guidelines.

Cover letter of application should indicate your suitability for the position.
Please apply using the current version of the Standard Application Form for Primary Principalship/ Deputy Principalship.
Applications to be submitted by post no later than 4pm on the closing date Tuesday 10th February 2026 and please mark the envelope 'Principal Application'.

Appointment will be subject, but not limited, to:
Satisfactory References
Full Qualification to Teach Religion in the Republic of Ireland
Current and continuing Teaching Council Registration
Current Vetting Requirements
Occupational Health Screening

Please ENCLOSE a copy of your Recognised Certificate to Teach Religion in the Republic of Ireland and your Teaching Council Registration Certificate with your application form.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- [It is a requirement to hold a valid Statutory Declaration and to complete the Form of Undertaking for this position.](#)
- [Standard Application Form for Principalship/Deputy Principalship - in English](#)
- Letter of Application
- Referees (name, role, contact no.)
- Teaching Council Registration
- Recognised Certificate to Teach Religious Education

Applications may be submitted by

- Post

APPLY TO THIS JOB VACANCY

Roll Number: 18236F
Apply To: The Chairperson of the Board of management
Scoil Naomh Mhuire
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