

ADVERT ID 251925

Principal Teacher

Leap National School

Kilmacabea Leap P81 NY10

<https://www.leapnationalschool.ie>

MAIN DETAILS

Status:	Active
Level:	Primary
Date Posted:	Fri May 8 2026
Application Closing Date:	Mon May 25 2026
Commencement Date:	Wed Aug 26 2026
Status of Post:	Permanent

SCHOOL DETAILS

School Type:	Mainstream
School Structure:	Vertical
Gender:	Co-Educational
School Patronage:	Catholic
Total No. of Teaching Staff:	3
Current Enrolment:	42
Droichead school:	No

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Additional Information:

The Board of Management of SN Cill Mhic Abhaidh/Leap National School, Kilmacabea, Leap, Roll No: 11245R, under the Patronage of the Bishop of Cork & Ross, invites applications from suitably qualified applicants for the post of Permanent Principal Teacher, from 26th August 2026. SN Cill Mhic Abhaidh/Leap National School is a Catholic, inclusive primary school.

The current teaching staff consists of a Teaching Principal, a Deputy Principal, a base school for 1 SET, 2 SNAs, and a part time school secretary.

We seek a principal who will lead a dedicated and collaborative staff and who will work closely with the Board of Management, parents and the wider school community to ensure the continued success and development of our school.

The appointment process will be governed by the DEY Circular 0044/2019.

The roles and responsibilities of the post relate to the 4 domains of Leadership and Management as set out in the circular.

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

The successful candidate should demonstrate

*A commitment to upholding the Catholic ethos, values and traditions of the school, and to fostering the positive, collaborative and supportive learning environment that currently exists within the school community.

*Proven leadership, organisational and administrative experience within a school setting including policy development, strategic planning and school self-evaluation.

* A strong understanding of the Primary Curriculum and of high-quality teaching and learning in a multi class context.

*Experience in the development, implementation and evaluation of innovative school-based

initiatives.

*In depth knowledge and experience of special education needs , including autism, along with a commitment to inclusion and diversity.

*Excellent people management and communication skills, with the ability to build and maintain strong relationships with staff, pupils, parents, Board of Management, other schools, wider community and external agencies.

*The capacity to empower staff and promote distributed leadership and professional learning within the school.

*Evidence of ongoing professional development relevant to school leadership.

Eligibility Criteria

Fully registered with the Teaching Council (Route 1- Primary)

Minimum of 5 years recognised teaching experience, two of which must be in a recognised primary school within the Republic of Ireland.

The appointment will be subject but not limited to:

Satisfactory references.

Occupational Health pre-employment medical screening.

Garda Vetting.

Application Process:

Applications must be submitted on the Standard Application Form for Primary Principalship(Open Competition), available on EducationPosts.ie

The following documents are required to support the application:

Documentary evidence of teaching qualifications.

Documentary evidence of Full Teaching Council registration.

Applications may be submitted by POST to:

The Chair of the Board of Management,

Leap National School,

Kilmacabea,

Leap,

Co. Cork P81 NY10

The envelope should have the word "Application" clearly marked on the front. Please include 3 copies of all documents.

Enquiries to info@leapns.net

A minimum of three valid applications is required for the competition to proceed.

Shortlisting may apply.

Closing date is Monday 25th May 2026, 5pm.

Late applications will not be accepted. Canvassing will disqualify.

Leap National School is an equal opportunities employer.

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.)
- Copy of Certificates, Diplomas, Degrees
- Teaching Council Registration
- Recognised Certificate to Teach Religious Education

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