

ADVERT ID 257440

Special Needs Assistant

Scoil Phadraig Naofa Buachailli

Dublin Road Limerick Limerick City V94NX84

<https://www.stpatricksboysns.com>

MAIN DETAILS

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| Status: | Active |
| Level: | Primary |
| Date Posted: | Thu Jun 25 2026 |
| Application Closing Date: | Thu Jul 9 2026 |
| Commencement Date: | Wed Aug 26 2026 |
| Status of Post: | Standard SNA |
| Number of Vacancies: | 1 |

SCHOOL DETAILS

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| School Type: | Mainstream |
| School Structure: | Vertical |
| Gender: | Boys |
| School Patronage: | Catholic |
| Total No. of Teaching Staff: | 14 |
| Current Enrolment: | 202 |
| 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 Patrick's Boys N.S. invites applications from enthusiastic, caring and committed candidates for a permanent full time Special Needs Assistant position.

In accordance with Circular 0032/2026, The Role of Special Needs Assistants in Recognised Primary, Post-Primary and Special Schools, the successful candidate will support the attendance, participation, inclusion, wellbeing and independence of pupils with special educational needs.

The successful candidate will:

- Demonstrate a child-centred and inclusive approach.
- Work collaboratively as part of a professional team alongside teachers, Special Education Teachers, SNAs, school leadership and external professionals.
- Demonstrate initiative, flexibility and a commitment to fostering pupil independence and participation in school life.
- Possess excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Be willing to engage in ongoing professional learning and development.

The successful candidate may be assigned to support individual pupils, groups of pupils, mainstream classes, special classes or other educational settings within the school in accordance with the needs of the school. Duties and assignments may change over time in line with Department of Education policy and Circular 0032/2026.

Experience supporting pupils with special educational needs and promoting pupil independence is desirable.

Applicants must meet the Department of Education requirements for appointment as a Special Needs Assistant.

St Patrick's Boys N.S. is a Catholic Primary School committed to fostering a warm, inclusive and child-centred learning environment. The successful candidate will be expected to contribute positively to the ethos and daily life of the school community.

It is a requirement to hold a valid Statutory Declaration and to complete the Form of Undertaking for this position. These documents will be requested upon acceptance of an offer of employment. Applications will be accepted until 3.00 p.m. on the closing date. Applications received after this time will not be considered.

Only those shortlisted for interview will be contacted. Copies of certificates, diplomas, and degrees are to be provided by candidates invited to interview. Please DO NOT attach Degrees, Certificates or Diplomas to the email application. Application in PDF format only.

Please include a PF1 form with your application if applicable.

PLEASE PUT "SNA APPLICATION" IN THE SUBJECT LINE OF THE EMAIL

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APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

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

Applications may be submitted by

- Email

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