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Annual Admission Notice 2027/2028

The following Annual Admission Notice has been prepared by the board of management of Mallow Community National School in respect of the admission of students to the school for the school year 2027/2028. This notice was published on 08/09/2026.

***Note:** The figures set out below in relation to Junior Infants are subject to increase dependent on the overall student teacher ratio in the school at the time of the administration of the school's admission process for applications to the Junior Infant class.*	
Total number of places available in Junior Infant Group: [Note: this number is subject to reduction if a student(s) awarded a place in the Special Class is/are due to be part of the Junior Infant Group.]	26
***Note:** The figures set out below in relation to the Special Classes are subject to change dependent on whether current students in the Special Classes retain their place in the school and whether a student(s) transfers into the Special Classes after the publication of this Notice.*	
Total number of available places in Special Classes:	6
All classes other than the Special Classes are capped at the following number: [Note: this number includes any student(s) who may be awarded a place in the Special Class in the Junior Infant Group.]	26

A copy of Mallow CNS's Admission Policy is available at:	School website www.scoilaonghusacns.ie
	School office (for printed copy)
	By emailing MallowCNS@etb.ie
An Application Form for admission to Mallow CNS is available from 01/10/2026 at:	School website www.scoilaonghusacns.ie
	School office (for printed copy)
	By emailing MallowCNS@etb.ie

All applications to the Junior Infants or the Special Class (for ALL class groups) in Mallow Community National School will only be accepted from 01/10/2026 and the closing date for receipt of applications is 22/10/2026. Applications received after this date will be considered and processed as late applications in accordance with the school's Admission Policy.

All transfer applications to Senior Infants, First Class, Second Class, Third Class, Fourth Class, Fifth Class or Sixth Class in Mallow Community National School other than to the Special Class, will only be accepted from the

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01/10/2026 and the closing date for receipt of applications is the 22/10/2026. Applications received after this date will be considered and processed as late applications in accordance with the school's Admission Policy. Equally, any transfer applications received during the current academic year, *i.e.* before June 2027, to transfer into a class immediately, will be treated as a late application where the application window for transferring into the school for the academic year 2026/2027 took place during the previous academic year and anyone who did not receive a place at that time was put on a waiting list. Therefore, any available places that arise in that class during the 2026/2027 academic year will be filled from that waiting list, until that list expires at the end of the academic year 2026/2027.

Please be reminded that, in line with the school's Admission Policy and the Education (Admission to Schools) Act 2018, all waiting lists going forward are only in place for the academic year to which they apply. Therefore, if a child is seeking a place in the Special Class and is not successful in a given academic year or is on a waiting list for this year, a new application must be made for the following year.

All applicants to the Junior Infants and/or Special Class for the following academic year will be notified of an offer of a place or refusal of admission by:	12/11/2026
Successful applicants to the Junior Infants Group and/or Special Class must confirm their acceptance of an offer of admission to Mallow Community National School by completing and returning the Acceptance Form on or before:	26/11/2026
All transfer applications to Senior Infants, First Class, Second Class, Third Class, Fourth Class, Fifth Class or Sixth Class other than to the Special Class, for the following academic year will be notified of an offer of a place or refusal of admission by:	12/11/2026
Successful transfer applicants to Senior Infants, First Class, Second Class, Third Class, Fourth Class, Fifth Class or Sixth Class other than to the Special Class, in the following academic year must confirm their acceptance of an offer of admission to Mallow Community National School by completing and returning the Acceptance Form on or before:	26/11/2026

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Note: Failure to accept an offer of admission before the relevant deadline set out above, or as stated on any letter of offer, may result in the offer being withdrawn.

Mallow Community National School will cooperate with the National Council for Special Education in the performance by the Council of its functions under the Education for Persons with Special Educational Needs Act 2004 relating to the provision of education to children with special educational needs, including in particular by the provision and operation of a special class or classes when requested to do so by the Council.

Mallow Community National School will comply with any direction served on the patron or the board of management, as the case may be, under section 37A and any direction served on the board of management under section 67(4B) of the Education Act.

Last year the school was oversubscribed and the following is a breakdown of the award of places:

The number of applications to Mallow Community National School for the Junior Infant Group exceeded the 28 places available within the school in 2026/2027.		
Number of places available:	28	
Number of applications received:	45	
Number of offers made:	41 – 13 students did not avail of or deferred their offer pending reapplication to the next school year.	
Breakdown of offers against criteria applied:	Number of Children who will have attained no more than 6 years of age by the 1st September of the academic year to which s/he is applying to be enrolled in Junior Infants and has a sibling currently enrolled in the school	13
	Number of Children who will have attained no more than 6 years of age by the 1st September of the academic year to which s/he is applying to be enrolled in Junior Infants and has a sibling previously enrolled in the school	0
	Number of Children who will have attained no more than 6 years of age by the 1st September of the academic year to which s/he is applying to be enrolled in Junior Infants and the Child resides in the Catchment Area	24
	Number of Children who will have attained no more than 6 years of age by the 1st September of the academic year to which s/he is applying to be enrolled in Junior Infants and the Child resides outside the Catchment Area	4

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The number of applications to Mallow Community National School for First Class exceeded the 2 (two) places available in 2026/2027.		
Number of places available	2	
Number of applications received:	14	
Number of offers made:	6 - 4 students did not avail of or deferred their offer pending reapplication to the next school year.	
Breakdown of offers against criteria applied:	Children who have a sibling currently enrolled in the school	0
	Children who have a sibling who was previously enrolled in the school	0
	Children who currently reside within the catchment area	6
	All other children	0

The number of applications to Mallow Community National School for Second Class exceeded the 1 (one) place available in 2026/2027.		
Number of places available	1	
Number of applications received:	5	
Number of offers made:	1	
Breakdown of offers against criteria applied:	Children who have a sibling currently enrolled in the school	0
	Children who have a sibling who was previously enrolled in the school	0
	Children who currently reside within the catchment area	1
	All other children	0

The number of applications to Mallow Community National School for Sixth Class exceeded the 0 (zero) places available in 2026/2027.		
Number of places available	0	
Number of applications received:	2	
Number of offers made:	0	
Breakdown of offers against criteria applied:	Children who have a sibling currently enrolled in the school	0
	Children who have a sibling who was previously enrolled in the school	0
	Children who currently reside within the catchment area	0
	All other children	0

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The number of applications to Mallow Community National School for the Special Classes exceeded the 2 (two) places available in 2026/2027.		
Number of places available	2	
Number of applications received:	12	
Number of offers made:	10 - 8 students did not avail of or deferred their offer pending reapplication to the next school year.	
Breakdown of offers against criteria applied:	The greatest level of need, as determined by the Principal in consultation with the SEN team in the school, having considered the Relevant Report in respect of the Student	0
	If the Child has a sibling currently enrolled in the school	2
	If the Child has a sibling previously enrolled in the school	0
	If the Child resides in the Catchment Area	7
	If the Child resides outside the Catchment Area	1