Annual Admission Notice 2027/2028

The following Annual Admission Notice has been prepared by the board of management of Coláiste Dún an Rí in respect of the admission of students to the school for the school year 2027/2028. This notice was published on 22 September 2026

Total number of places available in First Year Group: [Note: this number includes any student(s) who may be awarded a place in the Special Class in the First Year Group.] This number may be subject to reduction in the event that a [new/second/third/fourth] Special Class is sanctioned by the Department of Education after the publication of this Admission Notice, to be opened in the school in the next academic year.	96
Note: *The figures set out below in relation to the Special Class 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 school after the publication of this Notice.*	
Total number of available places in Special Classes	2

A copy of Coláiste Dún an Rí's Admission Policy is available at:	School website www.colaistedunanri.ie
	School office (for printed copy)
	By emailing info@colaistedunanri.ie
An Application Form for admission to Coláiste Dún an Rí is available from 01/10/2026 at:	School website www.colaistedunanri.ie
	School office (for printed copy)
	By emailing info@colaistedunanri.ie

All applications to the First Year Group or the Special Class (for ALL year groups) in Coláiste Dún an Rí will only be accepted from the 01/10/2026 and the closing date for receipt of applications is the 23/10/2026. 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 the Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth or Sixth Year Groups in Coláiste Dún an Rí other than to the Special Class, will only be accepted from the 04/05/2027 and the closing date for receipt of applications is the 20/05/2027. 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 year group 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 year group 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 student 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 First-Year Group and/or Special Class for the following academic year will be notified of an offer of a place or refusal of admission by:	06/11/2026
Successful applicants to the First Year Group and/or Special Class must confirm their acceptance of an offer of admission by completing and returning the Acceptance Form on or before:	17/11/2026
All transfer applications to the Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth or Sixth Year Groups 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:	25/05/2027
Successful transfer applications to the Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth or Sixth Year Groups other than to the Special Class, in the following academic year must confirm their acceptance of an offer of admission by completing and returning the Acceptance Form on or before:	31/05/2027

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. Other situations where the offer of admission may be withdrawn are set out in Coláiste Dún an Rí's Admission Policy.

Coláiste Dún an Rí 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.

Coláiste Dún an Rí 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 Coláiste Dún an Rí for the <u>Special Class</u> exceeded the 2 places available within the school in 2026/2027.	
Number of places available:	2
Number of applications received:	*13*
Number of offers made:	2
Breakdown of offers against criteria applied:	Offers were made based on the students meeting the following criteria: 7.1.2.1 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 Child; If two of more Students are tied on this criterion then the next selection criteria in the list will be applied to those students to determine the order of priority of those students. 7.1.2.2 If the Student has siblings currently enrolled in the school;