



Interim Principal (accounting officer) 0.6 FTE (3 Days per week) Fixed term until 31 August 2027

Closing Date: 22 May 2026

Our Opportunity

We are excited to be seeking a passionate, dedicated and experienced executive leader to become the interim Principal (accounting officer) of Stone Soup Learns.

We are seeking an individual with strong child-centred values, resilience and a proven ability to lead the Trust over the next academic year as it reviews its strategic objectives and plans for its long-term future.

The successful person will have:

- Highly effective leadership skills and the ability to inspire and motivate other people;
- Experience of effectively leading and managing change and the ability to think strategically;
- A strong commitment to collaboration and partnership working;
- A deep understanding of how children and young people with additional needs learn and make good progress;
- A strong commitment to working positively and pro-actively with parents, carers and a wide range of professionals and services; and
- Excellent management and organisational skills.

To apply

If you're interested in this role and wish to apply, please email Susan Murphy at smurphy@stonesoupacademy.org.uk

All candidates are advised to refer to the job profile before making an application.

Completed applications to be sent to smurphy@stonesoupacademy.org.uk

In line with safer recruitment practices and Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE), curriculum vitae (CV's) will only be accepted alongside a full application form

We reserve the right to close this advertisement early should we receive a high volume of suitable applications.

Further information

Please contact Warren Carratt at ceo@nexusmat.org to arrange an informal discussion about the role.

Stone Soup Learns is committed to safeguarding and protecting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Safer recruitment practice and pre-employment checks will be undertaken before any appointment is confirmed.

This post involves working with children and young people. If successful you will be required to apply for a disclosure of criminal records check at an enhanced level and a barred list check. Further information about the Disclosure and Barring Service and can be found at www.gov.uk/disclosure-barring-service-check.

We are an equal opportunities employer committed to recruiting and retaining a diverse workforce.