

Ambition • Respect • Resilience



Welcome to our family

Dear Applicant,

Welcome to the Alpha Academies Trust family of schools and thank you for your interest in joining our team. Our Trust is an exciting group of schools that work together with a shared purpose.

We are an Ambitious Trust established to create a network of primary & secondary academies in North Staffordshire. Our purpose is to deliver a first-class education for every child and overcome inequality. We recruit outstanding staff and make their professional development a number one priority. We are committed to working with other stakeholders to create a joined-up momentum, with the Ambition of bringing about transformational change in Stoke-on-Trent.

We care about our people and feel that we can achieve the greatest impact through a research led culture. We believe that mutual Respect should serve as the foundations of our organisation. This supports collaboration and as a result our people are creative, confident and work as one. Our staff identify the approaches that have the greatest impact on children and support the well-being and workload of all our staff.

We believe in the importance of **Resilience** embedded in a firm sense of belonging. Our teams support each other in becoming the best that they can be; they model this for our students and help our young people in overcoming difficulty. We serve vibrant communities, and as with any community, young people can face challenges. We help them to develop tools to overcome this. We know that this develops our culture of learning and, ultimately, our purpose.

Parents and stakeholders are at the heart of our learning partnerships. Governors are supportive and committed to providing a first-class education for all. Are you ambitious, value respect and do you demonstrate resilience? Are you looking for your next professional challenge? We are looking for a dedicated and enthusiastic professional to join us.

I look forward to receiving your application and meeting you soon.

Simon French
Chief Executive Officer

About Alpha

Our Purpose

To deliver a first-class **Education** that overcomes inequality.

Our Strategic Aims



High Performing Academies

To use Trust resources, to ensure we deliver a first-class education for every child.



Collaborative

To grow more effective partnerships within and beyond the Trust, that impact on children and are mutually supportive.



Investors in People

To attract, develop and retain excellent people who are valued, supported and encouraged to innovate.



Effective Finance & Infrastructure

To have strong and sustainable finances with a highly effective infrastructure.



Expert Leadership & Governance

To develop expert leaders and governors with a range of skills, that make a difference to children's life chances.

Our People

Continued Professional Development

We believe in you; our priority is that we support you in being the best you can be. Your professional and leadership development is at the heart of our development strategy. We will ensure that you have access to a wide range of opportunities that allows you to thrive in a community that has belonging.

Leadership Development

- National Professional Qualification programmes
- Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator Award
- Our own cross trust leadership development programme
- Individual leadership coaching
- Fast track programme for lead practitioners supporting progression to senior leadership
- Supported Masters qualifications
- Business management courses
- Support with bespoke professional development requests

Professional Development Programmes

- School Centred Initial Teacher Training lead school with Teach First
- Early Career Teacher programmes in partnership with Golden Thread Partnership
- Teaching Assistant / Higher Level Teaching Assistant qualifications
- National Vocational Qualification support and development for professional qualifications
- Apprenticeships

Other Opportunities

- Full Trust and Academy CPD programme
- Best practice networks and other trust networks
- Trust mentors and coaching

- Support through the Chartered College of Teachers
- Secondment opportunities



Joining us

How to apply

To join the team, you will need to apply through the vacancy page on the <u>Alpha Academies</u> <u>Trust website</u> (or relevant academy site) and follow the instructions on how to complete an application form.

Please feel free to include in your application and supporting statement: why the post attracts you; how your experiences and achievements match the job and personal specification.

Safer Recruitment

The Alpha Academies Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and we expect all staff to share this commitment. We comply with the Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) code of practice, and if successfully shortlisted, you will be required to declare any relevant convictions, adult cautions or other matters which may affect your suitability to work with children. As a result of amendments to the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (exceptions order 1975) in 2013 and 2020, some minor offences are now protected (filtered). You will also need to complete and return a DBS self-disclosure declaration prior to interview.

In addition, you will need to bring to your interview, your passport and/or original birth certificate along with a document giving your permanent National Insurance number and name i.e. a P45, P60, NI card or a letter from a government agency as proof of identification. If, unfortunately, you are not offered the post, please be assured that the details taken regarding your personal documentation will be destroyed. Please note, references will be sought for all shortlisted candidates prior to interview.

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

Alpha Academies Trust is committed to promoting equality and diversity opportunities among our community of staff and students. Ensuring best practice in our recruitment processes is essential to this commitment. We will seek to ensure that all job applicants and staff are treated fairly, with respect and without bias. No applicant or member of staff will be treated less favourably than another because of their age, disability, ethnic origin, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, marital status, caring or parental responsibilities, racial group, religious or philosophical beliefs.

Disability Confident

Alpha Academies Trust is a Disability Confident Employer which means that it has made commitments to the recruitment and continued employment of people with disabilities. As a Disability Confident Committed Employer we have committed to:

- ensure our recruitment process is inclusive and accessible
- communicating and promoting vacancies
- offering an interview to disabled people who meet the minimum criteria for the job
- anticipating and providing reasonable adjustments as required
- supporting any existing employee who acquires a disability or long term health condition, enabling them to stay in work
- at least one activity that will make a difference for disabled people

Should you require any reasonable adjustments during any point of the application process, please contact The HR/Recruitment Team at recruitment@alphaacademiestrust.co.uk to discuss. Find out more about Disability Confident at: www.gov.uk/disability-confident



Our Wellbeing

We want you to be the best that you can be and we will support you in every way that we can.

Wellbeing

- Our employee assistance programme through Carefirst will ensure that you are looked after and supported
- Our healthcare package through Optima Health & Phoenix Health will provide you with occupational support
- Cyclescheme will support your access to physical wellbeing and active transport
- Onsite gym access will provide further health support
- Inclusive staff social and sporting events will ensure you are part of our family
- Our culture celebrates the difference that you make
- Regular consultation (TES Pulse), allowing us to act on your feedback

Supporting You

- Investment in digital infrastructure across the Trust so that you can be supported to be a leading practitioner
- Competitive Local Government / Teachers Pension schemes
- Supported access to work-based meals
- Flexible approach to family leave

Sneyd Academy

Welcome to Sneyd Academy and thank you for your interest in joining our team. Our school is a large and diverse primary academy with happy children and staff and an exciting curriculum. Our aim is to enthuse our children to 'Learn, Achieve, Believe' in all that they do.





Our school is based on positive relationships. This is crucial to the development of every child in our school family. We ensure that children are shown compassion, understanding and care whilst also providing the very best teaching possible. All that we do is centred on the children and what would benefit each and every individual. As a result, our children enjoy school and make good progress academically, but also socially, morally and spiritually.

In order to create this environment, we need the very best people, who we will support to be outstanding practitioners. Do you want to be a part of this success? If you do, we would love to receive your application. I look forward to meeting you.

Rosina Lee Principal

Our Purpose

We are committed to...

"Inspiring children to achieve excellence and be their best."

Our Values

Respect • Resilience • Friendship • Positivity • Pride



Our Academy

Sneyd Academy is a large inclusive primary academy in the Burslem area of Stoke-on-Trent. It is one of the largest primary schools in the area and has pupils from nursery to year six. The school dates back to 1901 and whilst it has many modern features, it retains a strong history and pupils benefit from a good Edwardian building. The academy has recently benefited from a significant investment in digital infrastructure. We are fortunate to have large areas of green space and this has been complimented with the recent addition of an outdoor learning space.

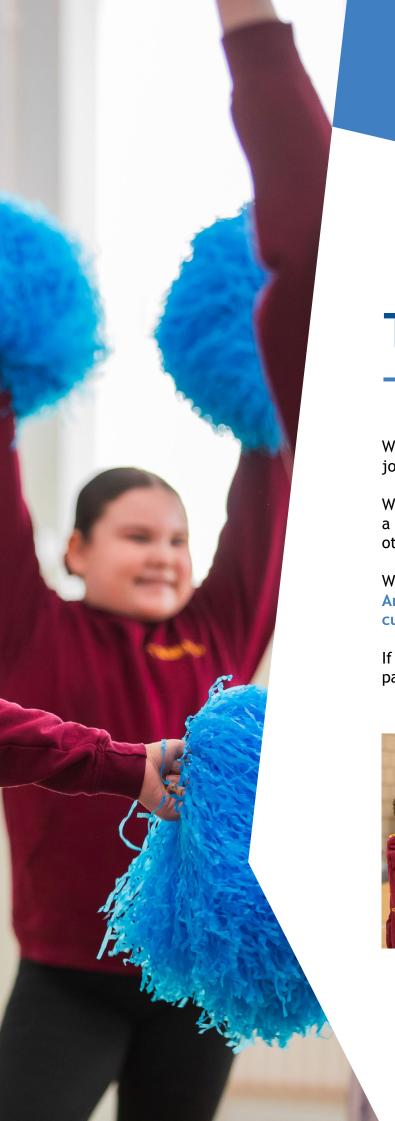
Why Sneyd?

Staff at Sneyd Academy have the highest of expectations for ourselves, for each other, and for our children. This begins with children feeling safe, secure and happy and we pride ourselves on the environment that we create to allow our children to flourish. We foster a love of learning that should stay with children for the rest of their lives.

Our Curriculum

Sneyd Academy is committed to providing an engaging curriculum with a variety of opportunities for children to gain skills, knowledge and understanding both across the curriculum and to prepare them for secondary education and beyond. We offer a broad and balanced curriculum as well as excellence in maths and English. We bring in expertise for pupils in music and PE and achieve well in these subjects. Our extra-curricular provision is exciting and wide ranging, with children able to join a number of clubs during the academy day and beyond. Topics are supported by a list of visits and visitors to enhance classroom learning. Additionally, children have the opportunity of a residential visit to Stanley Head in Y6.





Thank you

We want outstanding strong professionals to join our team.

We want people who are prepared to make a difference to a child's life and inspire others.

We want a community that thrives on Ambition, Respect and Resilience in a culture of belonging.

If you have these qualities and want to be part of our team, please come and join us.





