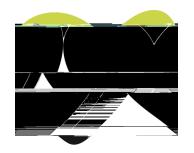
# Reading at Percy Hedley School The 5 Cohorts

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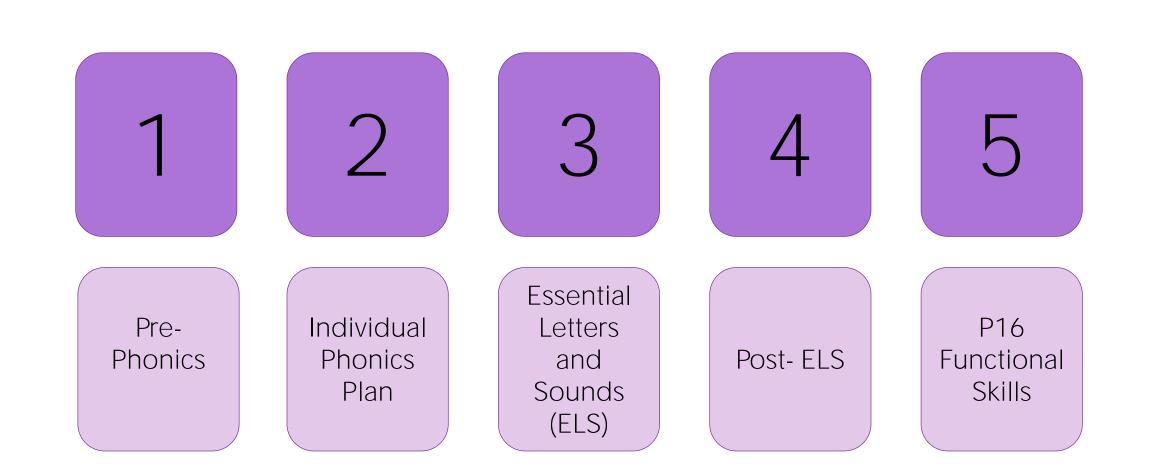
- Reading is prioritised as a fundamental skill for all with input being targeted at an appropriate level
- We want our students to love to read!
- Total communication approach is used significant crossover in approaches for communication and for literacy
- Daily opportunities for reading (in variety of forms) to foster a 'Love of Reading'
- Transdisciplinary approach all working together to overcome barriers to functional literacy

Applicable to All PHS Students



# Context

- Reading has been prioritised in recent years in terms of time, training and investment
- Bought into a systematic phonics approach in January 2022 lots of focus
- Whilst our phonics programme is appropriate for many students, there are also a lot of students that it is not appropriate for, and we wanted a way of **capturing what reading input looked like** across the school.
- Interventions/ plans/ systems in place can be hard to describe as our students don't easily fit in boxes, and so **5 cohorts** were created....



# 1

Pre-

Phonics

### Pre-phonics

The majority of students in our LSTE curriculum pathway, these students are not at a stage to access formal phonics teaching.

Learning includes aspects of Phase 1 Letters and Sounds as appropriate e.g.: sounds around us in the environment, rhythm and rhyme.

Exposure to stories at an appropriate level through tools such as sensory stories or story massage.

### **Essential Letters and Sounds**

Students accessing formal literacy teaching through our chosen systematic synthetic programme, Essential Letters and Sounds (ELS).

We have students within ELTBA & Appropriate Accreditation pathways in this cohort.

Essential Letters and Sounds (ELS)

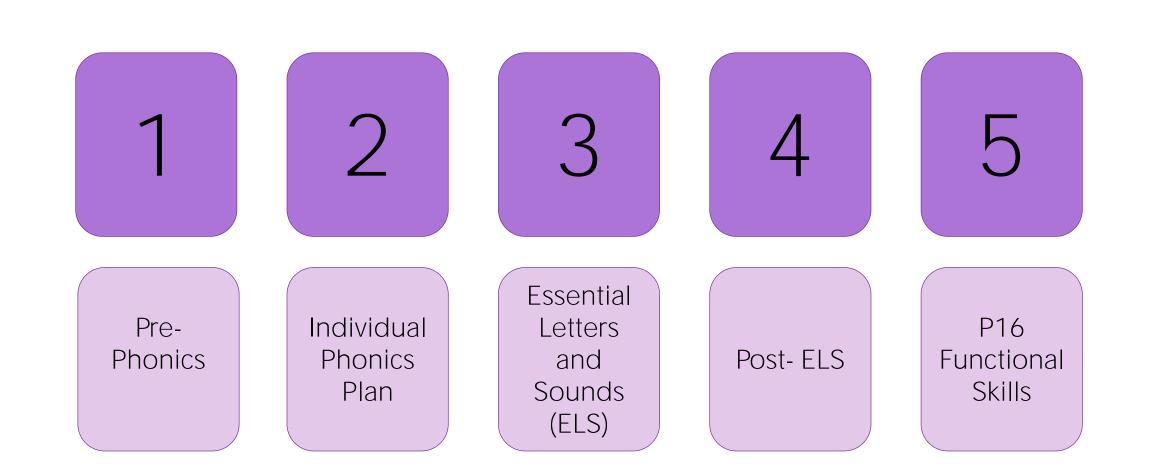
Many students access an adapted version of ELS, which is detailed in adaptation records.

### Post ELS/ Beyond Phonics

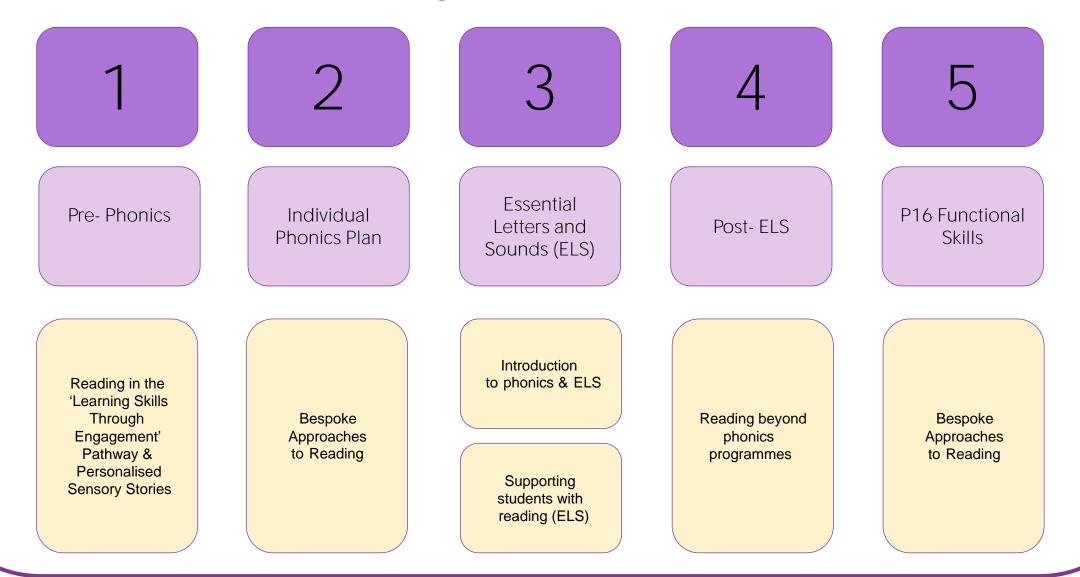
Students in this cohort have progressed beyond the point of ELS, however continue to access synthetic phonics

### Post 16 Functional Skills

Students in this cohort access learning in our Post 16



### What next? Further training is available online.....



## Any questions?

Thank you for your time and taking an interest in Reading at Percy Hedley School.

If you have any questions, comments or feedback please do not hesitate to get in touch with your class team or Becky Finn on <u>r.finn@percyhedley.org.uk</u>