Term 1 Year 7 - Algebraic Thinking

Year group 7	Subject: Sequences, Algebraic Notation and Equality	
Prior learning- linked to	Students would have seen some algebra in primary school, but this unit seeks to give the fundamental	
National curriculum	knowledge needed for them to be successful in maths in secondary school. Some of this unit would have	
	been covered in years 5 and 6, but we build on this and ensure students are familiar with the notation	
	required as well as any nuances that are needed for KS3	
Rationale	Students start year 7 in mixed ability classes and we decided to begin with an Algebra topic. This is	
	something that students would have seen previously but not to the depth that we will do in year 7. This	
	forms the basis of much of the algebra work in Secondary school, and allows students to start to spot	
	patterns and think abstractly. These are two key skills that are needed to be successful mathematicians	
Vocabulary:	Keywords	
	Term, sequence, equations, expression, equivalence, variable, substitution,	
Cultural Capital:	One of the main applications of this is development of the art of problem solving. Spotting patterns in	
	information will help students to see patterns in the real world. Also the idea of following procedure, having	
	precise steps to solve something is key for any form of computing or algorithmic work.	
Key assessments- name the	Mini Assessment for:	
assessments	Sequences	
	Algebraic Notation	
	• Equality and equivalence	
	In addition for this a Unit wrapper for this Term.	
What do children know/ can	Emerging Students will:	
do now (EDSM)	See Sequences in pictures, Use basic Algebraic Notation and solve one step equations	
	Developing students will:	
	See Sequence with numbers, Use Function machines using algebra, Solving equations involving division	
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What amendments are you	
going to make following	
evaluation of this module?	

TERM 1		
Unit 1 - Sequences	Unit 2 - Understand and use algebraic notation	Unit 3 - Equality and equivalence
Describe and continue sequences	Given a numerical input, find the output of a single function machine	Understand the meaning of equality
Predict and check next term	Use inverse operations to find the input given the output	Understand and use fact families, numerically and algebraically
Sequences in a table and graphically	Use diagrams and letters to generalise number operations	Solve one-step linear equations involving +/- using inverse operations
Linear and non-linear sequences	Use diagrams and letters with single function machines	Solve one-step linear equations involving x/÷ using inverse operations
Continue linear sequences	Find the function machine given a simple expression	Understand the meaning of like and unlike terms
Continue non-linear sequences	Substitute values into single operation expressions	Understand the meaning of equivalence
Explain term-to-term rule	Find numerical inputs and outputs for a series of two function machines	Simplify algebraic expressions by collecting like terms, using the ≡ symbol
Find missing terms	Use diagrams and letters with a series of two function machines	
	Find the function machines given a two-step expression	
	Substitute values into two-step expressions]
	Generate sequences given an algebraic rule	

	Represent one- and two-step functions graphically
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