



MAGHULL HIGH SCHOOL – CURRICULUM MAP Year 10 Half Term 1

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**Knowledge &
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development**

- Develop algebraic fluency through manipulation of expressions and equations
- Strengthen reasoning and problem-solving skills with real-world applications
- Build confidence with graph interpretation and algebraic representations
- Enhance conceptual understanding of inequalities and formulae rearrangement
- Deepen analytical thinking through solving and factorising quadratics

Prior Learning

Y7

- Know the meaning of key terms: *term, expression, variable, coefficient, constant, exponent, expand, factorise, simplify, equivalent, identity, substitute*
- Know what is meant by algebraic expressions and how to interpret them
- Know that substitution is the process of replacing a variable with a value
- Know that expressions can be simplified by collecting like terms (and know what is meant by like terms)
- Know that expressions can be manipulated by expanding and factorising, but that this is just a different representation of the same expression
- Know that situations can be represented using expressions and equations
- Know what a sequence is and what the nth term rule is

Y8

Know the meaning of key terms: *equation, solve, inequality*

- Know that formulae can be rearranged to change the subject
- Know that a linear equation is an equation that forms a straight line and only has one solution
- Know that to solve an equation is to find the value of the variable
- Know that equity must always be preserved in equations and formulae
- Know that an inequality has a range (sometimes infinite) of solutions
- Know what midpoints, endpoints, horizontal and vertical lines are
- Know how to use a table of values and how to find the equation of a straight line
- Know what a gradient and y-intercept mean

Y9

- Know the meaning of key terms: *Expansion, simultaneous, turning point, roots, intersection*
- Know that a quadratic equation contains the highest exponent of x as 2
- Know that quadratic equations can be solved by first factorising the quadratic expression
- Know that quadratic equations have 2 solutions
- Know that equations can be represented graphically and that the graphs can be used to solve the equations
- Know how to find the nth term rule of sequences
- Know what the Fibonacci, triangle numbers, cube and square number sequences are
- Know what geometric and quadratic sequences are

Assessment / Feedback Opportunities	<p>End Points of Algebra Topics (revisited in other all units):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Algebraic expressions, simplification, and factorisation 2. Expanding brackets and algebraic manipulation 3. Solving linear and quadratic equations 4. Inequalities and number line representation 5. Sequences (arithmetic, geometric, and nth term rules) 6. Graphing linear and quadratic functions 7. Simultaneous equations (graphical and algebraic methods) 8. Rearranging formulae and algebraic fractions 9. Functions and composite functions 10. Solving equations using iterative methods <p>Assessment Techniques:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular low-stakes quizzes to check understanding of key concepts • Use of mini-whiteboards and hinge questions for instant feedback • Formative assessments at the end of each topic block to identify gaps • Whole-class feedback sessions with targets and therapy follow-up • Peer/self-assessment to encourage metacognitive reflection and ownership
Literacy/Reading opportunities	<p>Use of word banks and sentence starters for structured mathematical reasoning • Comprehension activities based on GCSE exam-style worded problems • Guided reading of method explanations and exemplar solutions • Vocabulary reinforcement via dual coding and Frayer models</p>
Cross Curricular Themes	<p>Science – Use of formulae and rearrangement techniques • Computing – Logical structures and problem-solving algorithms • Geography – Interpretation of graphs and population models • Design & Technology – Application of measurement and scaling using algebra • PSHE – Decision-making strategies and real-life problem-solving</p>
Personal Development (Including British Values, RSE, Citizenship)	<p>• Promoting resilience and a growth mindset through mathematical challenges • Encouraging respectful communication during peer discussions and collaboration • Rule of law and fairness explored through consistent methods and logic in problem solving • Building confidence and independence in applying strategies and justifying answers</p>
Career Opportunities	<p>Foundation for careers in engineering, architecture, data science, economics, teaching • Understanding algebra helps with roles in coding, finance, accountancy, and construction • Highlighting the role of problem-solving and logical thinking in every profession</p>

