## Maths - Year 1

Pattern and Algebra 1: Preparing for equivalence and using the '=' symbol

| Key Vocabulary |  |
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| Comparative <br> language | More, less, fewer, is greater than, is smaller <br> than, the same, the same amount as, different <br> amount. |
| Balances | Numbers or amounts are the same but could <br> be represented in different ways. E.g. $4+1=$ <br> $3+2$ |
| Equals | The same in number or amount. |

## Mathematical Skills

- Use the language of comparison in conversation effectively.
- Know when they have 'more' or 'less' and can give 'more' or 'less' in practical situations.
- Know that 'equals' means 'the same value'.
- Know that there needs to be the same value on both sides of the ' $=$ ' symbol, when it is used.


## Mathematical Methods

Comparing heights and introducing the ' $<$ ' and ' $>$ ' symbol.


Comparing Numicon shapes and rods using the '<' and '>' symbols.


- Using comparative language e.g. 'There are more children sitting at this table than that one'; Fewer children are having a school dinner than are having a packed lunched'.

Comparing Numicon shapes and number rods using a Pan Balance.



Introducing the term 'balances'.

balances
equals

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## Can you..?

Can you use the Numicon shapes and the pan balance to show me three "equal to' number stories?

What can you tell me about the rods?


Can you use counters or cubes to make three number stories that use the word 'fewer'?

