## **Arithmetic Sequences**

A sequence is **arithmetic** if there exists a number d, called the **common difference**, such that  $a_{n+1} = a_n + d$  for any integer  $n \ge 1$ .

A sequence  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \ldots$  is called an **arithmetic sequence** if, and only if, there is a constant d such that

$$a_k = a_{k-1} + d$$
 for all integers  $k \ge 1$ 

It follows that,

$$a_n = a_0 + dn$$
 for all integers  $n \ge 0$