### 6.2 Characteristics of Equations of

## Polynomial Functions p. 384

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Date $\qquad$ Goal: Make connections between the coefficients and constant in the equation of the function and the characteristics of the graph of the function.

Standard Form
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## Standard Form

Leading Coefficient

Constant

## Linear Polynomials



Quadratic Polynomials


## Cubic Polynomials



Key Ideas
When a polynomial function is in standard form:

- The maximum number of $\boldsymbol{x}$-intercepts the graph may have is $\qquad$ to the
$\qquad$ of the function.
- The maximum number of turning points a graph may have is $\qquad$ to
$\qquad$ than the $\qquad$ of the function.
- The degree and leading co-efficient of the equation of a polynomial function indicate the $\qquad$ of the graph of the function.
- The constant term in the equation of a polynomial function is the $\qquad$ of its graph.

Linear and Cubic polynomial functions have similar end behaviours.

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| Quadratic polynomial functions have did | end behaviours to those of linear and cubic. |
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