WEEKLY TIMETABLE Monday: Science with Mr Handley (odd weeks) Library with Mrs Nelmes (even weeks) Monday: Whole school assembly in the Performance Centre @ 2pm Thursday: SISA (odd weeks) Please wear sports uniform Friday: School Sport

Meet the Teacher:

My name is Mrs Karen Grant and I am excited to join the wonderful staff at Hamilton Public this year. I am especially pleased to teach the fabulous students in 3G and extend a friendly welcome to their parents and carers. My aim is to inspire, encourage and motivate my learners. My objective is to provide a stimulating environment where the facilitation of knowledge can be appreciated and achieved, to the benefit of all students. I believe in a strong school-home relationship and encourage you to approach me if you have any issues, questions or concerns. Please feel free to contact me through the school office on 49 69 3577 or via the school's email address: hamilton-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au. (Please place my name on the subject line).

I look forward to a rewarding and productive school year.

Karen Grant

IMPORTANT DATES

11 February: Meet and Greet your child's teacher (Session 1 – 5:30-6pm, Session 2 – 6-6:30pm)
18 February: IEP Interviews
28 February: Clean Up Australia Day
3 March: IEP Interviews
18 March: School Photos
20 March: Harmony Day / Bee Kind Day
31 March/1 April: 3-6 3-Way Conferences
7 April: Easter Hat Parade and
7 April: School Disco (evening)

Absences

Everyday a student is not at school is a day lost of learning. If your child is absent for any reason, please send a note explaining their absence. Late arrival at school requires a late slip from the office and if you need to collect your child early, you need to report to the office.

PLEASE CONTRIBUTE TO 3G

A box of tissues Whiteboard marker Glue stick Lead pencils Eraser Ruler Coloured pencils Highlighter Scissors

Maths

The students will be working through Stage 2 Maths outcomes throughout the year. The areas of study for Term 1 include: Whole Number, Multiplication and Division, Area, Patterns and Algebra, Addition and Subtraction, Length, Chance, Data. We will be concentrating on consolidating foundation knowledge and skills in all areas, as well as creating opportunities for extension work when needed. The students will participate in a variety of hands-on experiences in weekly lessons and activities.

English

Reading and Viewing

Children will be grouped for reading activities according to their ability. This allows for the needs of individual learners to be catered for. The focus will be on fluency and accuracy, as well as using the Super Six comprehension strategies of Making Connections, Visualising, Predicting, Monitoring, Summarising and Questioning. You can help your child at home by listening to them read as often as possible.

Writing and Representing

Children will be focusing on creating a range of informative texts throughout the term. There will be a focus on handwriting skills including correct letter formation, size and spacing.

Speaking and Listening

Speaking and Listening is an important strand in the English syllabus. Students are taught how to be effective communicators and active listeners. Speaking and Listening will be part of homework this term. News groups are an effective way for students to develop confidence and strong communication and listening skills. Please refer to the separate note for more information about news groups this term.

Integrated Unit of Work

Students learn about social justice issues experienced by people with disabilities. They learn about the role that rules and laws play in our community as they share their opinions about existing laws.

Students will research a disability and write creatively about an important day in the life of someone who has the disability that they have researched.

PDHPE

PDHPE will be largely run by specialist teachers from Sports in Schools Australia. In Term 1, the focus will be on athletics, social skills and wellbeing. Students will participate in fortnightly two hour lessons with SISA every second Thursday commencing in Week 3.

Science

This term, Mr Handley will deliver 3G's science topic, 'Physical World'. During this time, students will actively develop skills in planning and conducting investigations, recording and analysing data, and problem solving.

CAPA

Students will participate in a range of creative arts activities, which include visual arts, drama, dance and music.