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NEWSLETTER



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ACTIVITIES

A popular lesson and activity that the students enjoyed was brainstorming and coming up with ideas for writing a school newsletter. Along with the actual writing, the kids had to coordinate subject matter and assign each topic to a writer. It was great to see the students get excited about writing!

GRANT PARTNERS

We have had so many wonderful and exciting activities with many of our grant partners. Deputy Corning of Klickitat County Sheriff's Department came in (with his giant bag of candy) and shared safety information and procedures in the event of a lockdown or other dangerous situations. Deputy Corning always does an incredible job of educating the kids without scaring them, and shares age-appropriate information. Thank you, Deputy Corning!

We also had Amy Gray of Arts in Education of the Gorge come in several times to do art activities with our students. Amy always keeps the kids engaged and manages to teach them new vocabulary, science, and art techniques during every project. Thank you, Amy!

As always, one of the kids' favorites, Debi Budnick of Skyline Hospital, came in several times this spring to instruct the students about nutrition and cooking skills. During her most recent visit to the REACH program, Debi shared a recipe for a pizza grilled cheese sandwich, which the kids cooked, ate, and loved! Aside from using math and reading skills, Debi and I wanted the kids to learn some life skills such as being able to cook safely and nutritiously at home. Thank you, Debi!

We also had the Reptile Man, a partner through Fort Vancouver Regional Libraries (FVRL), come in with his not-so-creepy crawlers: snakes, lizards, and even a baby alligator! The kids had many questions answered about the reptile world as they got to hold many of the critters. Thank you, Richard Ritchie and all of the folks, at FVRL who make these educational activities and visits possible!

Risi Howard of Howard Haven Animal Sanctuary brought some of her menagerie to visit the REACH program. The kids interacted with pigs, goats, and a miniature pony. Risi took them for a ride in her pony cart, an unexpected sight on our Lyle campus. Thank you, Risi!



FIELD TRIPS

Our students took a trip to the Wishram School District to share in a visit from the Mad Scientist. This particular activity was a lesson in physics enjoyed by all of our REACH students. The students participated in several experiments set up in the Wishram gym by the Mad Scientist.

PARENT EVENTS

Parents were invited to and participated in several of our events with community partners. These events help bring parents into the school and allow them to interact with their kids during educational activities offered by the REACH program. The students really love sharing the excitement with their families.

UPCOMING EVENTS

We have a full calendar of events to enjoy during the summer program!



Student Highlight

ALYSSA BRABENDER (4TH GRADE)

What is your favorite thing about REACH?

"I don't really have a favorite thing about REACH. I love everything about REACH!"

What is something fun you did at REACH recently?

"The field trip to Wishram to see the Mad Scientist was a lot of fun. It was fun doing the science experiments."

What have you learned recently?

"I learned some things in art with Amy. We collected nature items and then learned about shapes and texture and how to paint them with watercolors."

