ACTIVITIES

Our students loved a new math game we played called Putt Putt Math. In this game, students put numbered balls into numbered cups and then solve the addition, subtraction, or multiplication problem they have been given. This is a fun and easy way to practice fluency of basic math.

GRANT PARTNERS

We had loads of fun with our partners this spring! The Wishram REACH Program traveled to the Lyle/Dallesport School to share in The Howards Haven Animal Sanctuary farm animal activity. Risi brought several animals, and Wishram students enjoyed the opportunity to interact with the animals and learn about their individual needs. Thank you Risi! Klickitat County Sheriff Department’s Officer Ben Corning came to have a discussion about armed intruders and how to lock down, run away, or fight back. The kids really loved the game Zombie Robbers! We enjoyed a visit from our partners at Klickitat Lyle Against Substance Abuse Coalition (KLASAC). Sheila and Meghan taught about self-awareness and wellness. With Gorge Ecology Outdoors (GEO), we played leadership and get to know you games with Kenji. We enjoyed the Mad Scientist from Fort Vancouver Regional Library (FVRL), who led the students in performing hands-on activities around “Force”. It was very entertaining! Artist Shelley Toon from Arts in Education in the Gorge (AIEG) taught our students how to create beautiful butterflies through silk painting.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Wishram School ASB and the REACH Program worked together to host a fantastic Family Movie Night, complete with free popcorn and juice. Everyone in attendance had a lot of fun! We are looking forward to more combined activities with our local Associated Student Body.

UPCOMING EVENTS

We are looking forward to our upcoming summer programming! It will begin with a trip to Yakama Nation Klickitat Fish Hatchery and Lyle Falls. This trip is with our new community partner, J Jeanette Burkhart and Yakama Nation. We will also visit Basalt Blossom Farms with our GEO partner. Next, students will head to The Howards Haven Animal Sanctuary, OMSI, Oregon Zoo, and the Portland Art Museum. We also have a trip planned to visit Fossil, Oregon to dig fossils! We will have visits from FVRL performers that include Creature Teachers, Origami with Yuki, and a few virtual lessons from OMSI, thanks to FVRL! Summer will be rounded out with visits from AIEG, where we will learn about and participate in activities related to the Ocean in Clay, making Humor Hats, and Art Foiling.
Student Highlight
ALaura MCCULLOUGH  (12TH GRADE)

What is your favorite thing about REACH?
“As a mentor I have really enjoyed reading to all the kids and interacting with them while reading.”

What is something fun you did at REACH recently?
I enjoyed it when I led a group that painted rocks for the playground garden. It was really fun. When I go out to the playground and see the rocks we painted, it brings fond memories.

What have you learned recently?
"I have learned to have a lot patience while working with younger kids, and also how to effectively communicate with children.”

Quote:
"You’re braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think."  Winnie the Pooh