FUN ACTIVITIES:
We have done some fun things these past few months! We have been learning about different types of poetry, like diamantes and haikus, with Naomi Fisher from the Fort Vancouver Regional Library and have been working with watercolors and patterns in art with Cynthia Caudill from Arts in Education of the Gorge. We went on a field trip to Skyline Community Hospital to observe different jobs and purposes of different areas of the hospital. In the lab we got to look at bacteria cultures under a microscope, which we gathered and grew ourselves. We have also been doing Reader’s Theater as a reading fluency support activity, and we got to see a live play, Beauty and the Beast, at the Dalles Theater Company. It was a great show!

GUEST PRESENTERS:
We have welcomed several special guests to our program. Debi Budnick from Skyline Community Hospital talked to us about the science of cooking and helped us make some tasty treats. Megan Winn from the Klickitat County Health Department came and discussed kindness and Mother’s Day. We even had a visit from Deputy Corning from the Klickitat County Sheriff’s Office who taught us about safety during emergency situations at school and we practiced lockdown drills.

Upcoming Events!
Thank you to all the parents who joined us for our Math Rodeo in February and the Book Fair/Carnival in April! We have some great events coming soon, including folk tales and magic shows with partners from the Fort Vancouver Regional Library, and we will spend some time at the Hood River airport and the Hood River Waterfront Park with Cascadia Adventure School.

Student Highlight
Derek Goulart (3rd grade):
What is your favorite thing about REACH?
“Cooking pizza and playing with my friends.”
What have you learned recently?
“We learned about mandalas and painted a record as recycled art”
What did you like about a recent activity/field trip/guest?
“I enjoyed the field trip to the hospital, especially the ambulance. The lights were cool!”