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**The Chinese New Year was celebrated this weekend, which brings into a new lunar year: The Year of the Rooster. We also begin the 3rd marking period this week. The first homework assignment for this quarter was today, and required students to develop a mnemonic device to help remember the name of the geologic periods. Hasan Auribi was the big winner with this stellar sentence: Cameron Ordered Some Delicious Mango Pie Prior to Jogging, Causing Pain Near Quadriceps.**

**We began this week by learning the relative dating principles used to determine sequences of geologic events. You can quiz your child to see if he/she can explain the Law of Superposition. As we move forward, students will explore radiometric dating concepts and learn how to correlate rock layers based on index fossils and other geologic evidence**

**Shout outs to Grace Ryan, Kelsey Sheerin, and Ondina Jones. They formed a study group before the midterm exam, and really put forth their best efforts on that very difficult test. I understand they even made their own “quizlet” online to aid their studying!**

**Regards,**

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