

ELITE A

NEWSLETTER

VOLUME 2

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 CLASS DOJO LINKS:	
Core 1:	https://teach.classdojo.com/#/classes/6a7572df3972103ce6e9e781/story
Core 2:	https://teach.classdojo.com/#/classes/6a7572de3972103ce6e9e739/story
Core 3:	https://teach.classdojo.com/#/classes/6a7572e23972103ce6e9e8f2/story
Core 4:	https://teach.classdojo.com/#/classes/6a7572ce3972103ce6e9df62/story

 STEM CENTRAL What's Happening this Week in Your Classroom? Students will deepen their understanding of genetics, building on concepts from previous lessons (1-6). They will explore how genes, alleles, and proteins work together to influence traits and explain differences in muscle development. Additionally, they will investigate why siblings can exhibit different traits even when they share the same parents. Using family pedigrees and probability models, students will predict how traits are inherited. They will also learn how genetic variation can arise from mutations and how these changes can be passed down from one generation to the next.	 HISTORY HUB What's Happening this Week in Your Classroom? Scholars will continue to explore how South Carolina's geography contributed to the colony's agricultural success. They will revisit issues related to the Transatlantic Slave Trade that were studied in previous years, as well as South Carolina's policies associated with the headright system.  Unit 1 Project Start Date: 9/4/26! Due date is Friday, 9/18/26!
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 PROBLEM SOLVERS What's Happening this Week in Your Classroom?	
GEOMETRY UNIT OVERVIEW: • Topic: Rotational Symmetry and Self-Congruence • Objectives: Identify order of symmetry and rotational symmetries in polygons.	UPCOMING ASSIGNMENTS: • Major: Unit 2 Assessment • Minor: Workbook pages 69 and 70
UPCOMING ASSESSMENTS: • Major: End of Unit 2 • Minor: Workbook pages 75, 76, and 81 By next week, students should be able to identify polygons, their orders of symmetry, and their angles of rotation. They will also learn about the Triangle Sum Theorem and Similar Figures. Please encourage daily 5-minute reviews of math manuals and timely assignment submissions. Thank you!	

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 SHAFFER'S CORNER Parents, please continue to check PowerSchool regularly and discuss grades with your student. Please look out for IEP goal progress reports coming soon. Please reach out to me at maridith_shaffer@charleston.k12.sc.us or at my Google Voice number, (980)285-7155, if you have any questions or concerns.
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 FLEX PLAN READING FOCUS: Prefix meaning to determine a word's meaning. Students should log in to CCSD and then go to Clever Link and IXL. Students will use a code to work on a prefix assignment.

 TUESDAY	Words with pre-	CODE: YKE
 WEDNESDAY	Words with re-	CODE: HYZ
 THURSDAY	Make-up work day	—
 FRIDAY	Words with sub-	CODE: 7ZE

 STUDENT SHOUT OUTS! ★ Aldair Feria Herrera and Elder Domingo Mendez for focus and diligence in completing work.
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★ Gensis Gomez Martinez for willingly participating in class.
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 HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY!	
 Jeremiah Dent	8/24
 Scarlett Holton	8/11
 Carolyn Dawson	8/23
 Major Spells	8/29

 IMPORTANT DATES	
✓ Early Release - Sept 4th	
✓ Interim Reports - Week of Sept 21st	
✓ End of the Quarter - Oct 9th	
✓ Half Day - Oct 9th	
✓ Teacher Workday - Oct 12th	
✓ Second Quarter Starts - Oct 13th	
✓ First Quarter Report Card - Week of Oct 19th	