

Dear Math Club 1 students and their parents,

We are very happy to see your children at our Mathematics Club! Our Club is for students who are currently in 1st and 2nd grades.

Every week we will:

- solve interesting problems from different mathematical topics that you will not find in regular school curriculum;
- practice Kangaroo Olympics problems;
- play new games that develop logic and thinking;
- and much more.

At the end of every lesson, each student will be able to take home one of the games from Games Library for the week, so every week all your family will have a chance to play a new game.

We will have only one requirement aside from grade level: ability to read simple word problems. Children who aren't yet able to read well will join the Club starting Spring semester.

Homework in our club is optional, but if your child plans to participate in the Kangaroo Olympiad (which will take place in March), then we encourage you to work on the problems.

This year we have a lot of students who want to attend our club and we really want to be able to accommodate as many students as possible. You can help us to do so in several ways:

- please **arrive on time!** Club starts at 9:00 am – so we expect everyone to be in the P116 classroom by 8:55am;
- if you **miss a class, please let us know** if you are plan to continue with the club, so we can offer a spot to students from waiting list;
- this year we will not be able to accomodate all parents on our lesson, but **each lesson we will need 2 assistants from among parents** - to distribute materials, play games with a group of children, and to take pictures. Please pick a day when you can help: we will have a sign-up sheet in class.
- this year each game from our **Games Library** will have a **Survey Card** attached that we will ask you to fill in before returning the game;
- we also will ask all parents from our Club to **help for 2-3 hours during Annual SchoolNova Math and Science Festival** that will take place in the spring.

The club is free of tuition, but we collect \$100 per year for games and other materials. Fee will be collected by SchoolNova administration. We will provide an end-of-year financial report. If you have any questions or suggestions you are always welcome to contact us at: elena.yakub@gmail.com or anar.amgalan@stonybrook.edu

Yours,
Lena Yakubovskaya and Anar Amgalan