LETTER TO PARENTS AND STUDENTS SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

Welcome to Math6 in SchoolNova my last students and the new faces! I am excited to have you in my class! If you have any questions, please contact me by email or talk to me before or after class. I can be reached at ivashkevych@schoolnova.org.

HOMEWORKS

Homework will be assigned every week. Homework is very important and is NOT OPTIONAL. Try solving all problems. Incomplete solution to a problem is better than no solution. Homework is the feedback about how material has been digested, and where everyone stands. Try not to be heavily involved in your child's HW, rather encourage them to invest time. If something does not work out, take a break and come back. The homework will include topics either learned in class or which are important for the concept to be learned. Thus, it is vital that the students do the homework. Homework should be written on a separate quadrille paper with enough details to understand how the problem was solved. Mathematical notations will be good enough; some words are OK too. No assays please, pictures, sketches and doodles are very welcome.

Each homework is worth 2 tickets. 1 ticket for opening it, reading the problems, and making some documented efforts solving it. Second ticket is for solving it and efforts invested. 3 tickets can be exchanged anytime for a Lindor chocolate from a candy jar.

SUPPLIES.

Your child needs **quadrille paper** (as the **homework is to be submitted on quadrille paper**), pencil, eraser, etc., you can organize a folder to keep your homework and other material in case you need to review. You are free to come up with any way to organize yourself. **Minimum you should have paper**, a **pencil**, and completed homework, if assigned.

We will do a fair amount of geometry this year. Your child will need a decent compass, a ruler and a triangle (60/30 or 45/45). I will let you know when to bring those in class.

MATH GAMES

At the last 10 min of the class, we will play a math game, usually Bulls and Cows.

PARENTS IN THE CLASSROOM

If you feel your child will benefit from you hanging in the back of the classroom to help with the difficult concepts in the homework, you are welcome. Please discuss this with your child if they are comfortable with that. The rule is you are not a student, and very quiet.

MATH COMPETITION

Every year our school participates in a math competition Math Kangaroo and AMC 8. Registration will be separately announced by the school. In class we will be solving problems from past events.

Welcome all again to the wonderful journey!