

A boy with a gift gives me the glad news

Recently I was informed that an elementary school student I instructed once won a prize at Junior Mathematical Olympia. The email was from the mother of kid who used to participated in my lecture "number and programming." Her boy has a gift of math that four digit arithmetic operations can be done by mental arithmetic, Kid who was interested in prime numbers and math programming. I heard the glad news really.

The teaching of genius children seems to be difficult in public schools. They are generally restless, there is no cooperativeness. Moreover, they are only interested in what they like, and they do not care about anything else, so the teacher seems to see them simply as a problem child.

However, unless there is a teacher who can see through a boy with a gift and teach while looking warmly, a genius does not grow up. Eventually, his parents gave up his education at a public school and let him transfer to a private free school. The result is that he is growing up to nurture his talent there. I hope he will participate in the mathematics Olympia and give results within a few years.

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