

# 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Essay Contest

**4th Place**

**Keira Tam**

**Book 1**

**7th grade**

I really enjoy SuperMath because it helps me use my brain to do mental calculation. It helped me a lot during school and I've been doing abacus ever since I was in 1<sup>st</sup> grade. I practice at home sometimes and it's pretty fun and cool. Right now, I'm doing 3digit X 2 digit multiplication and 5 digit ÷ 3 digit/2 digit division. It can be challenging sometimes but when I keep practicing every day, it gets easier.

SuperMath isn't only about taking the classes once a week and finishing the homework. We also prepare for a once a year SuperMath Contest where everyone from SuperMath in some cities goes to Contest depending on the book they're in. This year, I got 4<sup>th</sup> place. There are some years I do well and some not as well but I still enjoy going to the Contest anyways because it's really fun and it tests out how good I am. I didn't do as well as I wish this year. I will try to practice more so I can do much better next year's Contest. I can't wait for the next Contest!

SuperMath has been one thing that I've been doing for a really long time. So I'm going to try to work harder at it to get better.