




School Term	Events for children	Events requiring parents' attendance	Events for parents
Second Trimester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second Trimester Opening Ceremony [September 1] • Swimming Competition • School Outing for 1st–4th graders • Sleepover Learning for 5th graders [held in the first trimester in some schools] • School Trip for 6th graders • Achievement Test for 4th–6th graders • Physical Check-Up • Second Trimester Closing Ceremony [December 24] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music Festival  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open School Day • Junior-High School Orientation for 6th graders [6th graders' parents only] • Coming-of-Half-Age Ceremony for 4th graders [4th graders' parents only] <div data-bbox="798 1008 1085 1142"> <p>To talk about their future aims and dreams.</p> </div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class Meeting • Physical and Medical Examination for new students' [new students and their parents only] 
Winter Vacation [December 25–January 7]			
Third Trimester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Third Trimester Opening Ceremony [January 8] • Farewell Ceremony for 6th graders • Yearly Completion Ceremony [March 24] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class Visiting Day  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduation Ceremony [6th graders' parents only] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class Meeting • Orientation for new students [new students' parents only]
Spring Vacation [March 25–April 5]			

☆Other “PTA Activities” : Parents’ activities collaborating with their teachers.

PTA activities are planned by individual school and the following shows some examples:

- **Parents-Children Activities [grade-based]**: the naming of each activity differs from school to school.
- Weeding : Children, parents, and teachers work together to weed out the school yard.

nyūgaku-shiki sotsugyō-shiki

入学式・卒業式

Entrance Ceremony & Graduation Ceremony

Entrance and Graduation Ceremonies are most important events to celebrate students entering or leaving school.

On the day of the Entrance Ceremony, school explains students' school life and some schools collect money for textbooks.

Most of the parents attend these ceremonies.



taikūtaikai undō-kai

体育大会 (運動会)

Sports Day

Students enjoy playing sports and games on the sports Day at school. Parents are expected to watch and cheer them up.

You will enjoy eating lunch with your children

at the designated area in the schoolyard or the gym.

No school lunch is provided.



"Obento"



ensoku gakunenbetsu-ryokō

遠足・学年別旅行

shukuhakugakushū

shūgaku-ryokō

・宿泊学習・修学旅行

School Excursion,

School Outing, School Trip & Sleepover Learning

"Obento"



Students attended by teachers go outside of the school by walking or taking a bus to study and experience.

Students must bring their *"Obento,"* or lunch box, on those days.



School Excursion and School Outing for 1st–4th graders: students go outside of the school for a whole day.

5th and 6th graders stay at a hotel for two or three days to learn and have an extra-mural experience.

5th and 6th graders must bring *"Obento"* for the first day lunch.

o bento

お弁当

"Obento" (Lunch Box)



Obento is a lunch box students bring to school from home. On the days of School Excursion and Sports Day, students must bring *Obento* to school.

shintaisokutei

身体測定

Physical Check-Up

At the beginning of the first and second trimesters, students' height and weight are measured to see if they are growing properly. School doctors also check their vision and hearing.



naika-kenshin jibika-kenshin ganka-kenshin shika-kenshin

内科検診・耳鼻科検診・眼科検診・歯科検診

Internal Medical Check-Up・Ears and Nose, Eyes, and Dentistry Check-Up:

Doctors examine students' health at school in the first trimester.



nyō-kensa

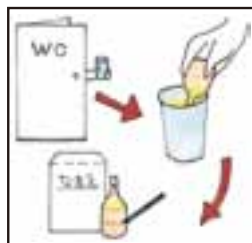
尿検査

Urine Test

Urine is examined to check students' health condition.

The day before the test day, school gives students a kit for collecting their urine.

Students have to bring the kit containing urine and turn it in to their teacher at a morning meeting.



Students should wear gym suits at Physical and Internal Medical Check-up.



oyako fure ai katsudō

親子ふれあい活動

Parents-Children Activity

PTA activities are planned and enjoyed by teachers, parents, and students together on designated dates at school.

PAT activities and dates vary in each school grade.



jugyō-sankan

授業参観

Parents' Class Visiting Day

You can watch how your children are doing in class. The school will announce the date and time for your visit.

On "Open School Days," anyone, not restricted to parents, can visit school to watch classes.

gakkyū-kondan kojīn-kondan

学級懇談・個人懇談

Class Meeting, Parent-Teacher Conference

You can have the time to talk about your children with the teacher.



All the parents and teacher talk together at Class Meetings, and you can also talk individually with the teacher.