

# MY JAPANESE SCHOOL FRIEND

# **Speaking Activity**

# **Activity 1: Role-Play - Asking About School!**

Work with a partner. Take turns being Student A (Leo) and Student B (Riko). Use the ideas below to talk about Riko's school.

Student A (Leo): Ask Riko questions about her school day in Japan.

- "Tell me about your school."
- "What do you do for lunch?"
- "What is kyushoku?"
- "Who serves the food?"
- "What is souji?"
- "Who cleans your school?"
- "Do you like cleaning time?"
- "How do you feel after cleaning?"

## Student B (Riko): Answer Leo's questions. Use details from the story!

- "My school is special..."
- "For lunch, we have kyushoku."
- "Students serve the food."
- "We don't waste food."
- "After lunch, it's souji."
- "Students clean the school."
- "We work as a team."
- "I feel happy and proud."

#### **Activity 2: What Would You Do?**

Discuss these questions with your partner.

- 1. If you went to Riko's school, would you like kyushoku? Why or why not?
- 2. Would you like to be a lunch helper and serve food?
- 3. How would you feel about souji (cleaning time) at Riko's school?
- 4. What part of Riko's school day is most different from your school?
- 5. What part of Riko's school day is most similar to your school?
- 6. Would you like to try working as a cleaning team at your school?

### **Activity 3: Design Your Ideal School Day!**

Work with your partner. Talk about what you think makes a great school day. Use ideas from Riko's school if you like!

- 1. What time does school start and finish?
- 2. What do you eat for lunch? Who serves it?
- 3. Who cleans the school? (Students? Cleaners? Both?)
- 4. What special activities do you do with your friends?
- 5. How do students help each other?
- 6. What makes your school a happy place?
- 7. What is one special rule?
- 8. How do students feel when school is finished?