The Japanese School Year and Events

Look at these KidsWeb Pages about the Japanese School Year. What differences do you notice about how the school year is organised?

<https://web-japan.org/kidsweb/faq/life02.html>

<https://web-japan.org/kidsweb/explore/schools/q4.html>

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| Difference | In Japan | In Australia |
| 1 Number of school terms |  |  |
| 2 When the school year starts |  |  |
| 3. When the school year ends |  |  |
| 4. When is the longest school holiday? How long is it? |  |  |
| 5. What grades can students receive for their assessments? |  |  |
| 6. What time does the average school day start and end? |  |  |

Look through the months of the year on this website to find out which month of the year each of these school events occur.

<https://web-japan.org/kidsweb/explore/calendar/august.html>

**Month Event**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ School Picnics and Excursions

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Sports Day

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ National Highschool Baseball Championship

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Home Visits by Teachers

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ School organised overnight Camps

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ School Festivals

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Disaster Prevention Day

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Choose one of the events listed above and read the information on the Kidsweb website about it. Then summarise the main points below.

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| **What is the event?** |  |
| **When does it occur?** |  |
| **Where does it occur?** |  |
| **Who is involved in this event?** |  |
| **How is it celebrated or done?** |  |
| **Why do you think it’s a notable event in the school year?** |  |