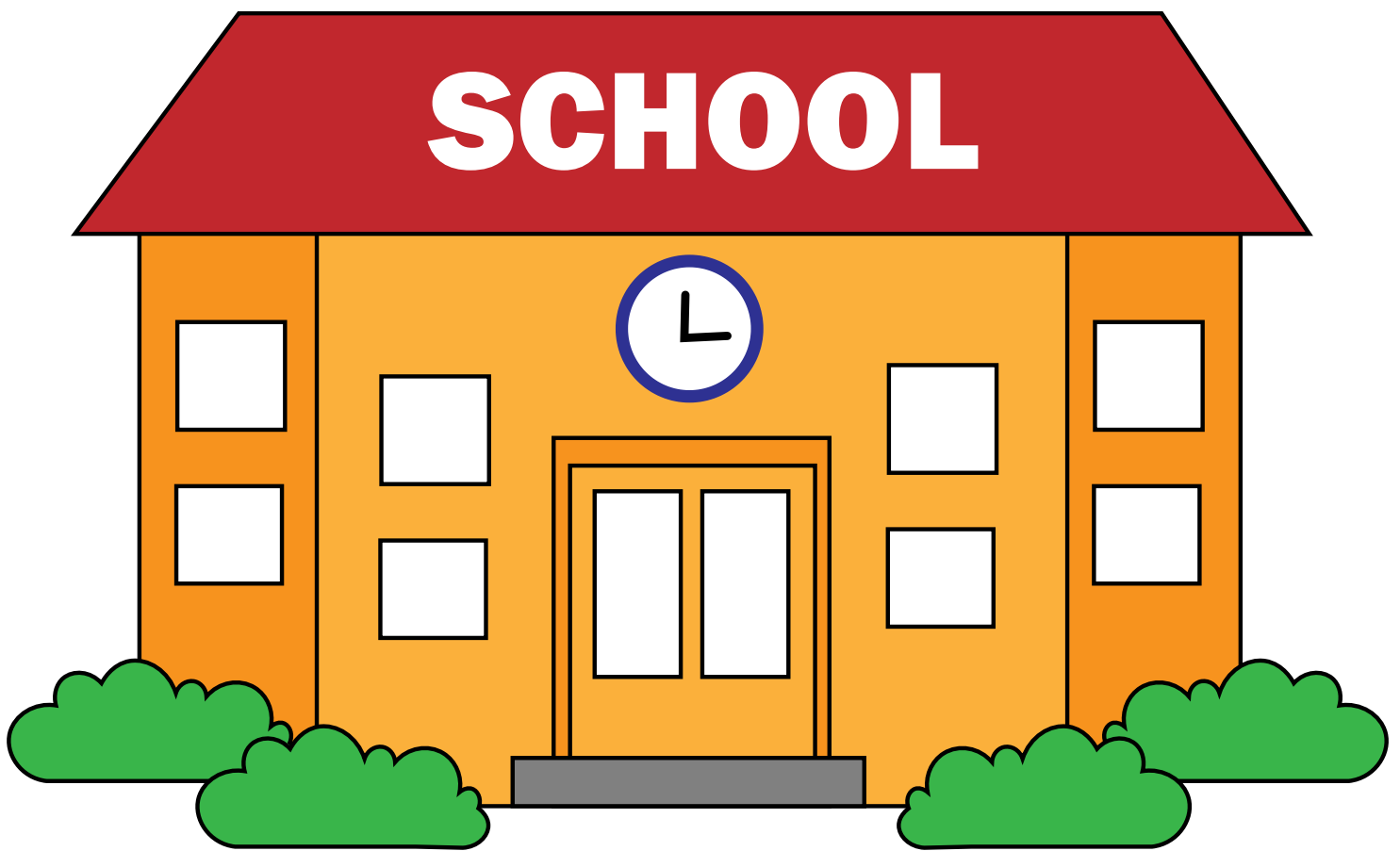




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**I am starting  
school!**



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Starting school is exciting and might feel a little new or different. School is a place where I can learn new things, make friends, and have fun. It's okay if I feel a little nervous – many kids feel this way when they start something new.



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I will arrive at school with a grown-up  
or on the school bus. When I get there, I  
might meet my teacher or other adults  
who are there to help me. They will  
help me feel safe and know where to  
go.



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I will say goodbye to my grown-up. I might feel a little sad to say goodbye, but I know they will be there to pick me up later. My teacher and classmates will be with me, so I am not alone.



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My teacher is there to help me learn.  
They will tell me what to do and where  
to go. I will also meet other kids in my  
class. They are there to learn and play  
with me. I can say “hello” to new  
friends.



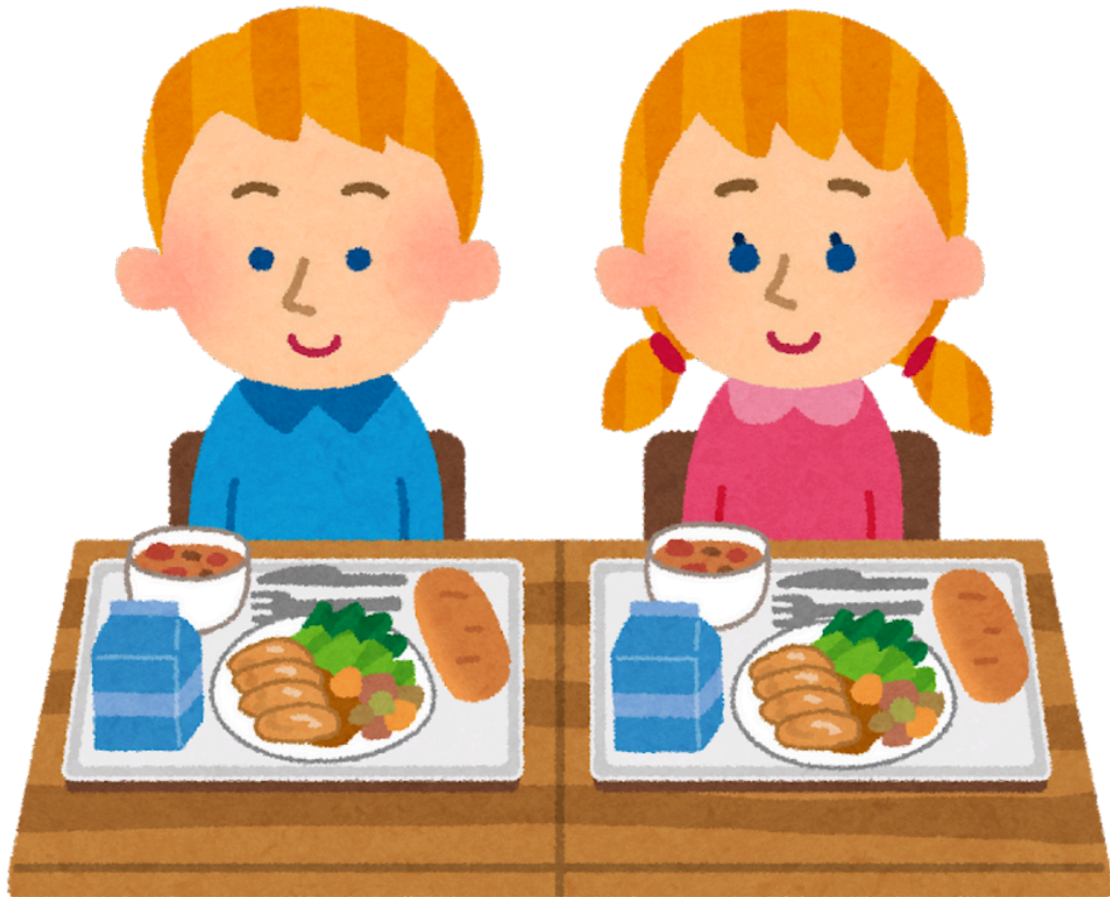
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At school, I will do activities like reading, drawing, and playing games. My teacher will show me what to do, and I can ask questions if I need help. Sometimes we learn new things, and other times we play and have fun together.



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When it's lunchtime, I can eat my lunch  
and talk with friends. This is a time to  
relax and enjoy my food. I will know  
when it's lunchtime because my  
teacher will tell me.





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I might get to go outside and play with other children. This is a fun time to run, jump, and enjoy being with friends. I will listen for my teacher to tell me when it's time to go back inside.





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When the school day is over, my teacher will tell me it's time to go home. I might see my grown-up waiting for me. I can tell them all about my day!



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Starting school is a big step, and it's  
okay to feel a mix of emotions.



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School is a place where I can learn,  
make friends, and have fun. Every day,  
I'll learn a little more and feel more  
comfortable. Starting school is the  
beginning of an exciting adventure!