

# a good DAY for FRIENDS

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Gather together with Coral Johnson ('24) for Thanksgiving feast. Photos courtesy of Coral Johnson. Story by Rebecca Doran

The aroma of freshly baked turkey wafts through the kitchen. Pie dough is masterfully rolled out on the counter, while stars are cut into soft dough, prepared to be placed onto the pie. Friendsgiving, hosted by Coral Johnson ('24), is a well loved tradition by her friends.

During the Thanksgiving holiday, Johnson and friends, Avni Shah ('24), Elizabeth Gulman ('24), Gabriella Gulman ('24), and Alessandra Chandler ('24) work together to cook up a storm for their early Thanksgiving dinner together.

"We decided that it would be a good idea to have a Friendsgiving to spend time with each other before break and to get into the Thanksgiving spirit," Gabriella Gulman said.

The friends agree that good food brings people

together, especially when everybody chips in to help. "Food and friends are always a good combo," Johnson said.

Contrary to "As easy as apple pie," they had difficulty with baking their pie.

"The pie took the longest to make," Johnson said. "A lot of the dishes needed the oven so it was a puzzle to figure out the order to put them in."

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**CORAL JOHNSON ('24)**

But in the end, her friends thoroughly enjoyed the sweet treat. "My favorite

dish was the apple pie which we baked together," Gabriella Gulman said.

Friendsgiving was a success with thankfulness and giving shared across the table.

"The dinner itself was very enjoyable and I loved trying everyone's dishes," Gabriella Gulman said. "My favorite part was being able to spend an evening with my friends."



(top) **CREATING THE TOP** of the pie crust, Johnson and Shah cut out star shapes from the dough. "We had turkey, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, salad, and apple pie. My favorite will always be the pie," Johnson said.



(right) **CUTTING THE TURKEY**, Johnson prepares the main dish of the feast. "My favorite part about Thanksgiving is that it's a relatively low cost activity to do with your friends and also just a nice way to actually enjoy a meal as opposed to scarfing down your food during lunch. I also like that Friendsgiving has the formality of a structured event yet it's still just a casual hangout," Johnson said.

What was your favorite dish from the Turkey Feast?



"My favorite food was the turkey because it was juicy."  
**ELIZABETH GULMAN ('24)**



"The pie from the turkey feast is my favorite because there are always so many options and they are all delicious."  
**EVIE KRAMER ('23)**

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## falling into costumes

Choir puts on its annual Madrigal Feast.

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(left) **SINGING BEFORE THE** audience, Annalise Klenow ('24) and Kyle Xu ('23) vocalize together. "The most exciting part of the performance was when we combined all the different choirs at the end of the performance, and sang a Celtic blessing while surrounding the audience as a send off and our finale!" Xu said.



(right) **WITH COUNTLESS HOURS** spent on preparation, Rori Escudero ('24) contributes to the choir as Cinderella. "It was fun getting to see the audience laugh at the jokes and be surprised by a sick scene," Escudero said. She also really loved her beautiful blue gown and thought it added to the performance full of elegance.

## WRESTLE to the TOP

Photos by Lindsay Holman

Freshman Estelle Dufour competes in the girls first wrestling tournament.

**How long have you been wrestling?**

I started wrestling at the beginning of the 2022 school year.

**How do you feel about the tournament?**

I felt great, it was very fun and a nice new experience. When I won the match, it happened so quickly but it did feel pretty cool, just knowing your efforts paid off in the end.

**Is it your first ever tournament?**

Yes, my first-ever tournament.



(left) **FOR THE WIN** after an intense competition against skillful opponents, Estelle Dufour ('26) wins the match. "It happens so quickly but it does feel pretty cool, just knowing your efforts paid off in the end," Dufour said

(bottom) **ON THE GROUND** as both competitors struggle to take control of the match, Dufour wraps her arm around her opponent, trying to pin her opponent down.



## trip to paris

Sonia Dwivedi ('24) shares her daily itinerary from when she traveled to Paris during Thanksgiving break.

Photos courtesy of Sonia Dwivedi



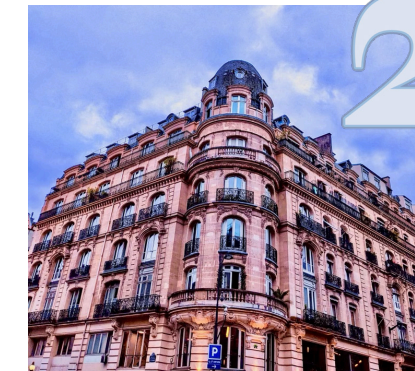
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"We went to a popular pastry shop near our apartment for brunch. We walked around a little and we stumbled upon a Christmas market near the Chateau and to Louie. A lot of the shops had artisanal candles and jewelry. In the evening, we went to a nearby restaurant for dinner and some hot chocolate to warm up."



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"Our favorite brunch place is Ladurée, and so we went there for brunch. My parents really enjoy the tea service, so we got tea and pastries, and of course their famous macarons. We walked around a little and did some shopping at the Galeries Lafayette and everything was super nicely decorated for the holidays. We had dinner at L'oiseau blanc which is a two star Michelin restaurant."



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"We went back to L'avenue Montaigne but this time to visit the Dior museum. This is one of my favorite things from the whole trip and it talks about Christian Dior's life, and I got to see some of his vintage designs. It was really cool."



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