

Onsite Cultural Exchange

Takinogawa Momiji Elementary School Cultural exchange with French friends

1. Date and venue

Date: Thursday, February 19, 2026,
9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Friday, February 20, 2026,
9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Venue: Takinogawa Momiji
Elementary School

2. Participants

435 first- to sixth-grade students

3. Counterpart

28 fifth-grade students from
L'école Boursault
Paris, France



Tug-of-war



Choral
performance by
Boursault
students



Boursault students taking
part in string games and



Boursault and Takinogawa Momiji
students enjoy activities together.



Farewell

4. Schedule

Day 1

1. Welcome ceremony

- Greetings from both schools and demonstrations of Japanese culture by Takinogawa Momiji students

2. Japanese cultural and sports activities

- Calligraphy (Grade 3), basketball (Grade 5)
- Spinning tops, beanbag juggling, and *daruma otoshi* (Grade 1)

3. Lunch exchange

Day 2

1. School tour

2. Japanese cultural and sports activities

- Origami (Grade 4), sumo, ball toss, tug-of-war (Grade 6)
- *Kendama*, cat's cradle, and marbles (Grade 2)

3. Lunch exchange

4. Closing ceremony

5. Additional information

- ◆ The Boursault students were welcomed with a flower arch, and at the welcome ceremony, Takinogawa Momiji student representatives introduced the day's activities.
- ◆ Each grade held exchange sessions with calligraphy, traditional games, and sumo. Both groups enjoyed the activities, cheering during sports and supporting each other.
- ◆ At lunch, the Boursault students tried Japanese food for the first time.
- ◆ During the closing ceremony, the Boursault students sang anime songs and received certificates. All participants appeared very satisfied.