

## Summer Vacation...Places to go

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Summer time is a time to relax and sit back by the pool. You can go and explore the world before you go back to school. There are so many places to go that can either be exciting or calming. Going places can help you open up your mind to the world and maybe even find a new passion. In this article we will tell you about places that are loved by others and highly recommended to go this summer.

### Florida

Florida is adored by many people and is a great experience. Whether it's the beach, Disney World, or even Universal, everyone always has a good time. The weather is perfect during the summer for doing something outdoors and discovering things you have never seen before. A highly recommended place to go is Disney World. Disney World is considered the most magical place on Earth. They have the cutest food, great rides, and characters all around the park to come and say hi. Even though there may be very long lines to the rides, it's definitely worth the wait.

### Maui

Another awesome place to go is Maui in Hawaii. You can learn about their culture. You will be able to experience and see their stunning beaches, gorgeous rainforests, and their traditions. There's many options to Maui, whether you want to relax or go on an adventure, you will always have fun. Enjoy the tropical environment with friends and family with a view of a crystal blue ocean on the beach. Come to Maui to experience the beauty of Hawaii.

### London

Another cool place to go is London where you can see many historic things whether it is Big Ben, Tower of London, The London Eye, Tower Bridge and so much more. You can go to London to learn about their food, or just to take a relaxing vacation and see new things. The best part and loved by many people who visited is the nightlife of London. The beautiful lights attract many people. London is a highly recommended place to visit if you are looking for a relaxing vacation.

### San Diego

Another awesome place to go is San Diego in California. They are known for their beaches, parks, and the San Diego Zoo. At the San Diego Zoo you can explore and see all different types of animals with a better experience. San Diego is also known for their warm climate almost all year round. Definitely better than here in New Jersey. Many people enjoy relaxing on the beaches or taking a nice walk around the parks. This experience will leave you relaxed when you come back to New Jersey.

### Sydney, Australia

A place that is pretty far is Sydney in Australia. Sydney is one of the biggest cities in all of Australia and definitely one of the best. You can catch the best waves here in Sydney to go surfing and can explore the different lifestyles Australians live. Some places enjoyed by tourists are the Sydney Opera House and Massive Darling Harbour. You can also explore the sea life in Sydney and maybe even catch sight of a kangaroo. If you go to Sydney you will definitely have a great time.

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# Mad Libs

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If you're unfamiliar with how to play... This is a simple two player game in which players will create silly sentences that (most likely) will not make sense. First, player 1 will ask player 2 (numbered for explaining purposes), to say a word that fits the description. Player 1 will write these answers in the blanks. By the end, players can review these sentences and try to make sense of them. If you need a reminder:

**Noun:** A person, place, or thing

**Adjective:** A word that modifies or describes a noun

**Verb:** A word that describes an action

**(Example):**

Today I (verb) with (noun) and (noun) at the (adjective) (noun).

**(Filled in):**

Today I talked with string cheese and Mount Everest at the colorful dog.

Hello \_\_\_\_\_ Summer \_\_\_\_\_  
name the adjective \_\_\_\_\_  
I'm writing you a letter all the way from \_\_\_\_\_ island. Over here the  
trees are very \_\_\_\_\_ with flowers that look like \_\_\_\_\_  
ending in -y noun  
this island, people greet you by saying \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
noun verb ending in -ing  
with excitement. There are these amazing tasting foods that have bits of  
noun that taste like \_\_\_\_\_  
noun I'm having by the far the  
best summer ever. I'm pretty sure I saw my pookie \_\_\_\_\_ which was so  
celebrity  
awesome. I wish my trip would be endless, but those \_\_\_\_\_ days will  
adjective  
soon end.  
See you soon,  
\_\_\_\_\_ friend \_\_\_\_\_  
ending in -ly name

## My Pet

Whatsup \_\_\_\_\_  
name  
How's your summer been? Since I'm home more, now that we don't have school, I am  
hanging out with my pet \_\_\_\_\_ named \_\_\_\_\_  
animal noun  
teaching (him/her) how to \_\_\_\_\_ which (he/she) achieves in a  
adjective  
\_\_\_\_\_ way. My beloved pet was at first reluctant to learn. (He/she)  
ending in -y  
was encouraged by many \_\_\_\_\_ until (he/she) learned the trick.  
nouns  
Nonetheless, my pet is perfect. I sometimes dress (him/her) in \_\_\_\_\_  
adjective  
\_\_\_\_\_ that falls off when (he/she) \_\_\_\_\_  
noun verb  
Your \_\_\_\_\_ friend,  
ending in -ing  
The \_\_\_\_\_  
adjective name

# Summertime Recipe

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As summer rolls in, what better way to celebrate than with a dish that screams sunshine and good times? This **Watermelon Feta Salad** isn't just food; it's a burst of summer in every bite!

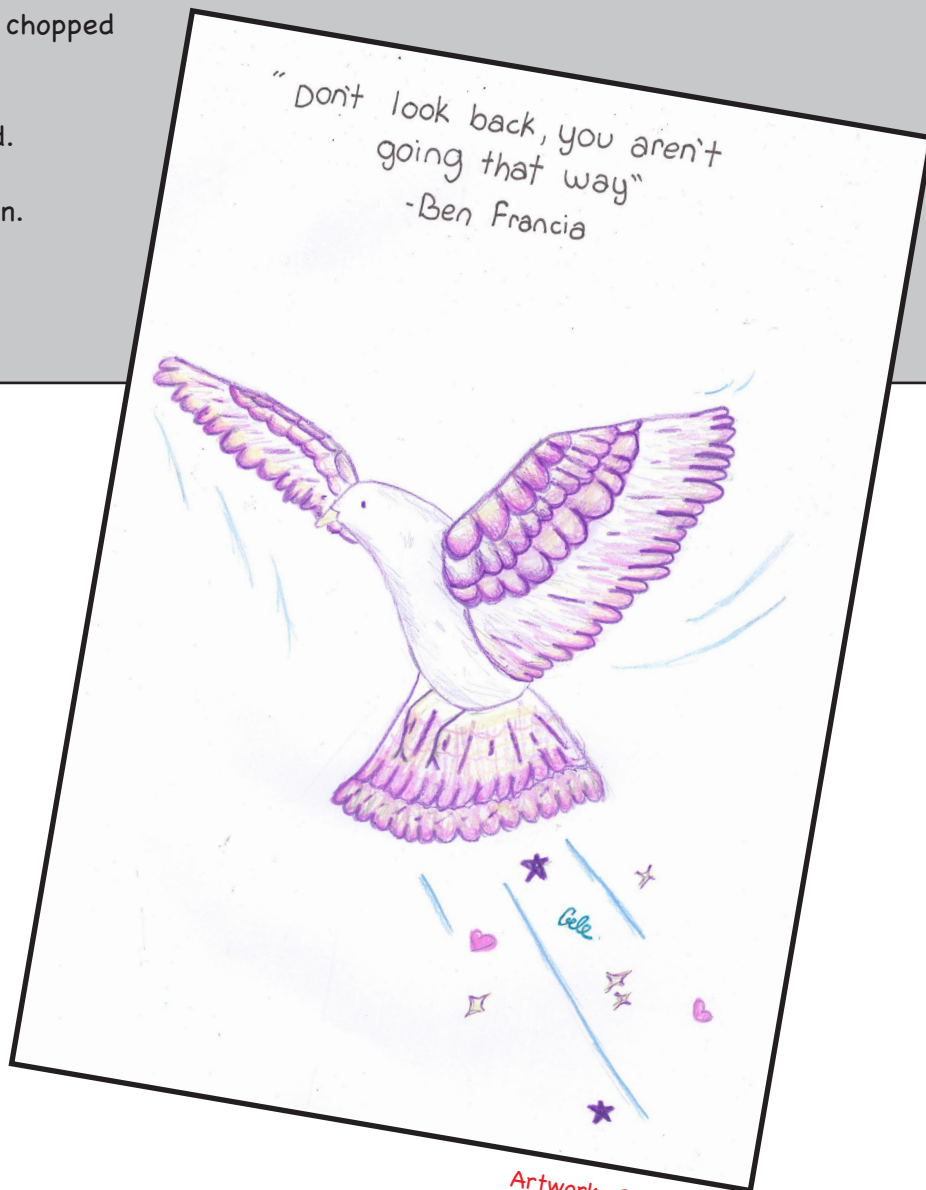
Here's how to make it:

## Ingredients:

- 4 cups cubed watermelon
- 4 ounces feta cheese, crumbled
- 1/4 cup fresh mint leaves, chopped
- 2 tablespoons balsamic glaze

## Instructions:

1. In a large bowl, gently combine the cubed watermelon, crumbled feta cheese, and chopped mint leaves.
2. Drizzle balsamic glaze over the salad.
3. Toss gently to ensure even distribution.
4. Serve immediately and enjoy!



Artwork: Genessa Lee



# Top Five Favorite Summer Foods

Jaydaa Abuali

Summer is a wonderful time for everyone. People get a break from school, and work. It is the time to unwind and reset for people around the world. Many go on vacation with their families and enjoy lovely foods like watermelon, green salad, corn on the cob, ice cream, and avocado. To many people, summer is the best of the seasons. Many people go to the beach, pool, and even out of state. They enjoy the summer break with some of the best foods to comfort them.

Watermelon is one of the best summer foods out there. This delicious fruit keeps many hydrated during the summer. It's known for its high water content. It has vitamin C and A. Watermelon helps keep the skin soft and smooth. It has many other benefits. Let's be honest, watermelon is such a tasty fruit.

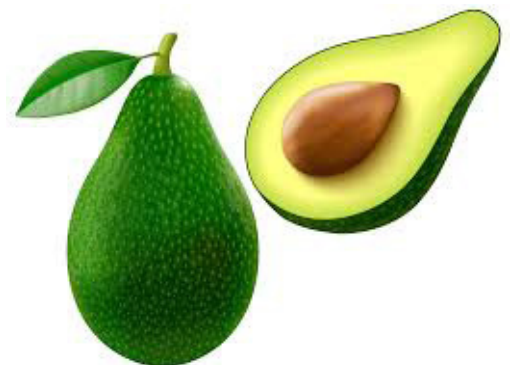
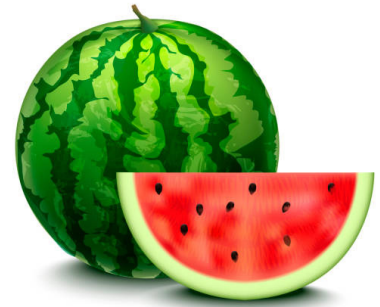
Green Salad is so amazing to have in the summer. It fits the lovely weather that people usually get in the summer. If you are a vegetable type of person, this salad is for you. You can put lettuce, spinach, avocado, parmesan cheese, cucumber, bell pepper, tomato, and much more. There is a variety of vegetables and seasonings you can put in a green salad.

Corn on the cob is an amazing food to eat during the summer. Many put salt, parmesan cheese, tatin, mayonnaise, and more. Summer is one of the best times to have corn on the cob. You can grill it, or boil it, either way it is up to you. It could be put with barbeque food, in a salad, or by itself. No matter how you eat corn on the cob, it is still delicious.

Ice cream is the perfect sweet dessert when it is hot outside, just like summer. You can put ice cream in a cone, bowl, cup, or sundae. There are many flavors, and styles of ice cream to pick. There is strawberry, chocolate, vanilla, mango, cookies and cream, chocolate chip cookies, and many more flavors. Ice cream has many styles like soft serve, gelato, sherbet, frozen ice cream, Syrian ice cream, and more.

Avocado is such a healthy fruit to eat. This fruit can be eaten on a salad, on toast, sandwich, or made into guacamole. Anyway you eat it so good. It is high in fiber and vitamins. This fruit has a very long and interesting history. During the summer many people eat this due to its healthy fats.

These are the 5 best foods to have during the summer. Many people love these foods due to their healthy nutritious values. Let's be honest these are just some of the best foods to eat during the summer, because it's just so delicious to eat!



## Drama Club

Sarah Lee

The drama club went to Broadway, the scenery was gorgeous, breathtaking even. The actual show was amazing, had me tearing up as it came to an end.



I took a picture of the moment when the cast of Moulin Rouge had started to sing a piece from the Broadway musical during the workshop the drama club attended. The experience was great! They showcased some of the main actors from the show, sang us a few songs, and taught us an amazing dance that was going to be done during the show.



## Band Trip to the Senior Center

Sarah Lee

The Band trip to the Senior Center was fun. The people there welcomed us warmly, providing us snacks to eat and drink. It was delicious. We had a lot of fun playing together.





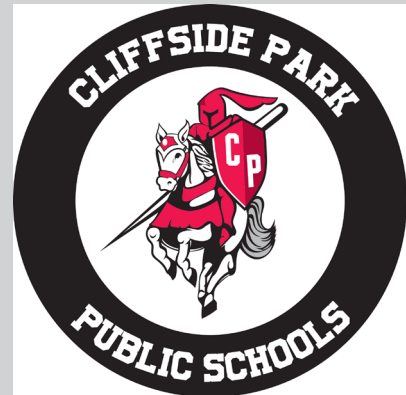
## Happy Retirement

Congratulations Ms. Foster and Ms. Park on reaching this exciting milestone! Wishing you both a retirement filled with endless adventures, relaxation, and joy. May you find happiness in every moment as you explore new passions, spend time with loved ones, and enjoy the freedom that retirement brings. Best wishes to this new chapter in your lives, where every day is a new opportunity for happiness and fulfillment. Happy retirement!



## You will be missed

Congratulations to Mr. Rindfuss on being appointed as the new superintendent! We wish you great success as you move into this new role to inspire positive change as well as shape the future of education for countless students and staff members. Best of luck on this exciting journey!



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