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Summer Fattoush

Season: Summer/Autumn

Serves: 30 tastes in the classroom

or 6 serves at home

Fresh from the garden: cucumber, garlic, lemon, lettuce, mint, parsley, red onion, spring onion, tomatoes

Recipe source: Barooga Public School, Victoria

Fattoush is a Middle Eastern salad. It includes pieces of toasted Lebanese pita bread and a zingy dressing with lots of crunchy summer vegetables.

Equipment:

clean tea towel
chopping board
cook's knife
metric measuring cups and spoons
juicerbowls – 1 large, 1 medium
mixing spoon
whisk
baking tray

Ingredients:

1 large lettuce, coarsely chopped

2 tomatoes, coarsely diced

1 large handful of parsley, finely chopped

1 small handful of mint, finely chopped

2 small cucumbers or 1 large, peeled and diced into 1-cm squares

1/2 red onion, finely sliced

2 spring onions, finely sliced

1 garlic clove, finely chopped

1/4 cup pomegranate molasses

(or substitute 2 tbsp balsamic vinegar)

juice of 1 lemon

2 tbsp sumac

1 tsp paprika

½ tsp salt

2 tbsp olive oil

2 pita breads, sliced into 5-cm strips

What to do:

salad bowl

- 1. Preheat the oven to 180°C.
- 2. Prepare all of the ingredients based on the instructions in the ingredients list.
- 3. Mix the lettuce, tomato, parsley, mint, cucumber, red onion, spring onion and garlic in the large bowl.
- **4.** In the medium-sized bowl, whisk together the pomegranate molasses, lemon juice, sumac, paprika, salt and olive oil to make a dressing.
- 5. Place the pita strips on the baking tray and bake for 3–5 minutes, or until golden brown.
- 6. Pour the dressing over the salad and mix thoroughly with clean hands.
- 7. Transfer the salad to the salad bowl.
- 8. Break the toasted pita bread into 2-cm pieces and sprinkle over the salad before serving.

