## VERY BERRY BREAKFAST CRUMBLE





- \* Rich in Vitamin C
- \* Beta-glucan fibre in oats will keep you feeling fuller for longer. It also helps support your healthy gut bacteria.
- Linseeds are a great plant source of Omega-3; essential for optimal brain and immune health
- \* 80g of fruit counts towards 1 of your 5-A-Day

- Make in small, individual ramekins and use different berry/fruit combinations to keep the whole family happy!
- Why not cook up the mixture in the evening, pop the ramekin in the fridge overnight and bake it in the morning whilst you are getting ready?
- Swap out linseeds for a mix of pumpkin and sunflower seeds



**Preparation Time:** 5 minutes **Cooking Time:** 10-15 minutes



Ingredients:
serves 1 mixed
80g frozen berries 1 hea

Grated apple

30g oats

2 tbsp linseeds or mixed seeds

1 heaped tsp butter

Optional: 1tsp brown

sugar

- 1. Preheat oven to Gas 6/200°C
- Place the frozen berries and apple in a ramekin and microwave for 30 seconds to slightly thaw the fruit
- Rub together the oats, butter and optional sugar
- 4. Evenly sprinkle the oat mix on top of the fruit
- 5. Bake in a hot oven for 10-15 minutes to bake the oats
- 6. Serve with yoghurt for an extra protein hit!

## PEA & MINT OATY FRITTERS





#### Perfect for brunch

- \* High in Vitamin B1 to support a healthy nervous system
- \* Eggs are a great source of complete protein, essential vitamins & minerals and unsaturated fat
- \* Vitamin D in eggs helps to absorb calcium and supports bone health
- \* Oats are rich in beta-glucan fibre to support a healthy gut
- \* 80g of frozen peas count towards 1 of your 5-A-Day

#### NOTES:

- Why not add crumbled feta into the fritter mixture for another layer of flavour



**Preparation Time:** 5 minutes **Cooking Time:** 10-15 minutes



#### TO SERVE:

Top with avocado or fresh tomatoes for extra veg, or grilled halloumi, crumbled feta or chorizo for a protein hit

#### **Ingredients:**

serves 2

1.5 cups/160g frozen peas, thawed Handful of chopped, fresh mint or 1tsp mint sauce 2 eggs
1/2 tsp baking
powder
2/3 cup/75g oats,
blended into a flour
2 tbsp milk

3 tbsp plain flour

- 1. Thaw the peas in a bowl of boiling water
- 2. In a mixing bowl, combine the egg, mint and milk
- 3. Blend the oats with the baking powder into a rough flour
- 4. Add the oat mix to the wet mix
- Crush or blend the peas before folding into the mix
- Drop 1-2 tbsp of the mix into a heated frying pan with a drizzle of olive oil
- 7. Cook for 2-3 minutes on each side until golden brown

### ROASTED PEPPER AND TOMATO SOUP

2 OF YOUR
5-A-DAY

\$1.45 PER
PORTION

SOURCE OF
PROTEIN &
VITAMIN C



- \* Vitamin A & C in red peppers help to support a strong immune system
- \* Vitamin C also helps protect our cells and maintain healthy skin and bones
- \* Consuming protein at lunchtime is a great way to keep your afternoon energy levels elevated
- \* 80g of either tinned or frozenvegetables count towards 1 of your5-A-Day

- Serve with wholemeal bread or croutons for a source of complex carbohydrates.
- Add a dollop of pesto to your bowl for the ultimate flavour combo!



Preparation Time: 10 minutes Cooking Time: 55 minutes Serves 4 PORTIONS



**Ingredients:** 

1 red pepper

1 tin of whole sweet peppers,

torn into smaller chunks

200g frozen peppers

1 tin of tomatoes (either chopped

or whole)

1/2 white onion

2 small cloves of garlic

2tbsp olive oil

2 tbsp tomato puree

300ml vegetable stock

125g pot of yoghurt

1tsp mixed herbs

1tsp paprika

2 tsp basil

1/2 tsp balsamic vinegar

Salt & pepper

- 1. Preheat oven to Gas 8/230°C
- 2. Chop up the fresh pepper and onion into large chunks
- 3. Throw the cut pepper, onion, peeled garlic cloves, frozen peppers, olive oil, mixed herbs, 1/2 tsp paprika and salt into a large roasting tin
- 4. After 40 minutes, add in tomato puree, tinned tomatoes, tinned peppers and basil
- 5. Return to the oven and cook for 10 minutes
- 6. Stir in the balsamic vinegar, 1/2 tsp paprika, salt and pepper to taste
- 7. Once cool, add the mixture to a blender
- 8. Whilst blending, add in the yoghurt followed by the vegetable stock to reach your preferred consistency

# RICE NOODLE SALAD





- Vitamin C helps to maintain healthy tissue and cell growth whilst supporting the health of blood vessels
- \* Using seasonal vegetables not only reduces the cost but also improves the quality and taste of the dish
- \* 80g of fresh vegetables count as 1 of your 5-A-Day

- Why not cook off the vegetables slightly in a wok before adding in the noodles, to create a warm stir fry
- Swap out any of the vegetables for those in season, or that you have laying around in the fridge



**Preparation Time:** 10 minutes **Cooking Time:** N/A



### Ingredients: serves 2

2 portions of rice noodles
1 handful each of: carrot,
cucumber, red pepper,
cabbage, lettuce

#### For the dressing:

1 tbsp each of rice vinegar,
Soy sauce & olive oil
1 tsp sweet chilli sauce
Juice of 1/2 lime
Thumb-sized fresh grated or
minced ginger
Small clove fresh garlic

#### Method:

- 1. Thinly slice all the vegetables, using a peeler if necessary
- 2. Prepare the noodles as instructed on the packet
- Make up the dressing by combining all ingredients in a bowl
- 4. Fold the vegetables into the noodles before drizzling on the dressing

Serve with: chopped cashew nuts or peanuts for some crunch or crushed chilli's for some heat

#### MEAT/FISH OPTION:

Serve with pan fried Tooth Fish cheeks, grilled chicken breast, or beef strips

# BEEF AND LENTIL RAGU





#### Under 30 minute meal

- Lentils are a good source of fibre, plantbased protein and B vitamins
- \* B12 helps make new blood cells and supports a healthy nervous system
- High in protein to help the maintenance and growth of normal muscles
- \* 80g of lentils or vegetables count as 1 of your 5-A-Day

#### **Three Serving Options:**

- 1) Serve with wholewheat tagliatelle or spaghetti for a classic spag bol
- 2) Omit the balsamic and Worcester sauce. Add smoked paprika, cocoa powder and cumin, alongside kidney beans and serve with rice to make a chilli
- 3) Add some more paprika and top with mash potato before baking to make a shepherds pie.



Preparation Time: 15 minutes
Cooking Time: 15 minutes
Serves 4 PORTIONS



#### NOTES:

• **Top Tip:** dice the mushrooms, sun-dried tomatoes and carrots into tiny cubes so they are a similar size and texture to the mince

#### **Ingredients:**

1 white onion, finely diced
1 large glove of garlic,
crushed and chopped
70g or 6 sun-dried tomatoes
finely chopped into a paste
1 tin mushrooms, drained
and finely diced
1 tin carrots, drained and
finely diced
3 tbsp tomato puree

500g pack of beef mince
1 tin lentils, drained
1 tin of plum tomatoes
1 tsp Worcester sauce
1/2 tsp each of balsamic
vinegar and marmite
Paprika
1 tsp each of basil and
oregano
2 tsp rosemary
Salt and pepper to season

- In a large saucepan, sauté the onion and garlic until soft on a medium heat
- 2. Stir in the chopped sun-dried tomatoes followed by diced mushrooms, carrots and tomato puree. Cook for 2-3 minutes.
- Add in the mince, and stir until the meat has browned
- Once browned, add in the rest of the ingredients with 1 tin-full of water. Leave to simmer & thicken for 10 or more minutes before serving

## BUTTERNUT SQUASH GNOCCHI BAKE





- \* A twist on the classic potato gnocchi
- \* Compared to fresh; frozen veg is a great way to reduce both costings and food waste
- \* A good source of protein
- \* The vitamin C from tomatoes helps to absorb the iron available in the spinach (and chorizo!); whilst B1 supports a healthy nervous system
- \* 80g of frozen and tinned vegetables count as 1 of your 5-A-Day

- Add mozzarella to the dish before baking, for a cheesy twist
- For a meaty option, cook off some chorizo and add it to the marinara sauce before baking



**Preparation Time:** 5 minutes Cooking Time: 10-15 minutes

#### **Ingredients:** serves 2

Gnocchi

160g frozen butternut squash finely chopped

1 medium sized potato

2/3 cup/85g plain flour

2 handfuls frozen spinach

#### Marinara Sauce:

1 white onion, finely diced

1 garlic clove, crushed and

1tbsp tomato puree

1 tin chopped tomatoes

Oregano, basil, salt & pepper



- Cook the frozen butternut squash according to instructions, and boil the potato.
- In a saucepan, heat olive oil before adding in diced white onion and crushed garlic. Cook until soft.
- Add in tomato puree, tinned tomatoes and seasoning, along with 1/2 tin of water. Leave to simmer on a low heat
- Once cooked, mash together the potato and butternut squash in a mixing bowl
- Add in salt and pepper, before adding the flour bit by bit until a soft dough forms
- Roll the dough on a floured surface into a large sausage, approx 1 cm thick, before cutting into approx 2cm long and press with the back of a fork
- Heat a saucepan of hot water with salt before adding in the gnocchi balls. Cook until the gnocchi rises to the top of the pan
- Add the spinach to the marinara sauce before transferring the sauce and gnocchi into an oven proof dish. Optional: top with cheese at this stage
- 9. Bake for 10-20 minutes to thicken the sauce

### CRUDITÉS AND HUMMUS THREE WAYS

1 to 2 OF YOUR 5-A-DAY

UNDER £1 PER PORTION FIBRE

SOURCE OF PROTEIN & FIBRE



- \* Adding artichoke and beetroot, adds an extra serving of veg to this classic dip, as well as another level of flavour
- \* Olive oil is a source of unsaturated fatty acids, helping us to absorb fat-soluble vitamins whilst supporting cardiovascular health
- \* Beetroot is rich in folate for the development of healthy blood cells
- \* 80g of chickpeas and tinned vegetables count as 1 of your 5-A-Day

#### NOTES:

Why not use up the leftovers to make a hummus and veg sandwich for your packed lunch?





**ARTICHOKE HUMMUS:** 

Add in 1 400g tin of artichoke hearts

#### **BEETROOT HUMMUS:**

Omit the smoked paprika. Add in an extra tbsp lemon juice and 2 cooked beetroots

Preparation Time: 5-10 minutes

Cooking Time: None

SERVES 3 - 4 portions

#### Base Ingredients:

400g tin of chickpeas, Splash of water to

drained & rinsed thin

1 small garlic clove Salt and pepper

2 tbsp olive oil

1 tsp smoked paprika

1 tbsp each of tahini

Optional spice hit:

and lemon juice

cayenne pepper

- Place all the ingredients into a blender of food processor
- 2. Blend into a smooth consistency, adding water to thin it out if needed
- Serve with crudités of cucumber, peppers and carrots; or wholegrain crackers

## RASPBERRY BLISS BALLS





- \* Dried fruits are a great source of iron and potassium, that help support blood pressure and oxygenation
- \* 30g of dried fruit counts towards 1 of your 5-a-day
- \* 80g of frozen berries count towards 1 of your 5-a-day
- \* Snacking 2-4 times a day is a great way to get more variety and micronutrients into your diet, as well as a much needed boost of energy between meal times

#### NOTES:

 Store in the fridge for up to a week, ready to eat whenever you need an afternoon pick-me-up!



**Preparation Time:** 5 minutes **Cooking Time:** N/A



<u>Ingredients:</u>

serves 1

80g frozen raspberries

50g or 8 dates

40g oats

Splash of milk or oat

milk

Optional: 2 tbsp

desiccated coconut

#### Method:

- In a blender or food processor, blitz the dates with a splash of milk to form a rough paste
- Add in the raspberries, oats and optional coconut before blitzing to form a rough mixture. Add more milk if necessary to bring the mixture together
- 3. Form into balls of approx 1 tbsp of mixture

Roll in desiccated coconut for some added texture, or drizzle in white chocolate for added sweetness