Mexican Tuna





Recipe provided by Sandra Wright from Gosford Cubbyhouse Long Day Care Centre

INGREDIENTS

- 4 tablespoon canola or olive oil
- 2 medium onions, diced
- 2 cloves garlic, crushed
- 800g tin crushed tomatoes
- 1 green capsicum, diced
- 1/2 cup (140g) salt reduced tomato paste
- 1 cup (200g) dry red lentils
- 2 teaspoons salt reduced vegetable stock powder
- 4 x 425g cans tuna
- 2 x 400g cans red kidney beans
- 1 kg dry wholemeal pasta
- 3 cups (300g) reduced fat cheese, grated

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Heat oil in large pan and lightly brown onions.
- 2. Add garlic, tomato, capsicum, tomato paste, red lentils and stock powder. Stir to combine.
- 3. Add tuna and mix through. Bring to the simmer and simmer for 20-30 minutes.
- 4. Add kidney beans and simmer for a further 5 minutes.
- 5. Whilst mix is simmering bring a pot of water to the boil and add pasta. Cook the pasta until al dente.
- 6. Distribute pasta over serving dishes. Pour tuna mix over the pasta and top with grated cheese.

To serve:

Serve with a garden salad and toasted pita/Lebanese bread crumbled over the top.

Helpful hints: Can be served as a nachos-type dish with toasted pita/Lebanese bread instead of corn chips and yoghurt instead of sour cream.

NUTRITION NOTES

Food groups per child serve = 1/2 serve of Vegetables, 0 serve of Fruit, 1 serve of Breads & Cereals, 1 serve of Meat & Alternatives, 1/3 serve of Dairy.

Type of protein = white meat

Number of extra iron containing foods needed over the day = 2

Extra iron containing foods in this recipe: legumes (red kidney beans, lentils), wholemeal pasta