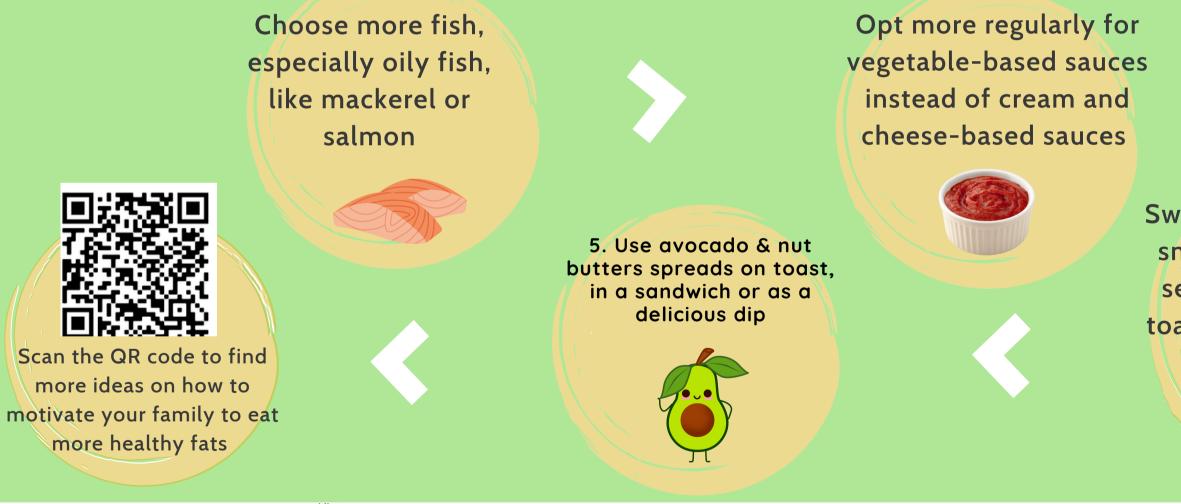


HOW TO INCLUDE MORE HEALTHY FATS IN YOUR DIET

Fats, also called lipids are used by the body to store energy, to maintain temperature, and to cushion organs. Fats also helps the body to use vitamins A, D, E and K.





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Avoid adding extra oil or butter when cooking – try grilling, baking, steaming or poaching instead

Swap biscuits and cakes for snacks like fruit, nuts and seeds, plain rice cakes or toast with lower-fat spread



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TYPES OF FAT IN FOODS

SOURCES

CHOOSE UNSATURATED FATS



They are divided in monounsaturated fats and polyunsaturated fats. They can help you to maintain a healthy heart These are found generally in plant foods such as seeds, nuts, olives, avocados and oily fish like tuna, mackerel and salmon

REDUCE SATURATED FATS

Too much saturated fats and trans fats are less healthy

These can lead to health problems later in life, particularly heart disease

Limit these type of fats in your diet as much as possible

Saturated fats are found in: animal products like the visible fat on meats , palm and coconut oil used in home cooking, commercial frying, or foods like biscuits, chips, crisps, full-fat dairy products like butter and cream



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Watch this infographic about choosing fats wisely



~NEWSLETTER 2~

TOP TIPS TO IMPROVE YOUR FAMILY'S DIET		
When food shopping	When cooking	Dail • : • :
 Buy lean cuts of meat such as chicken breast, steak, turkey and reduced fat mince Eat less fatty meats like bacon and sausages Choose low-fat dairy products, except for children under two years Consider plant based options such as soy mince, chickpeas, lentils and Quorn Check food labels for fat content 	 Use margarine made from vegetable oils instead of butter Use nut butters or avocado as spreads Try roasting, steaming, baking, stewing or poaching your food Try low calorie oil spray and non-stick pots and pans Before cooking, trim fat off meats and remove skin from chicken 	• F f
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OW MUCH FAT TO INCLUDE IN YOUR FAMILY DIET

- ly portion of oil / full fat vegetable spread:
- 2-3 years: 2 tsp
- 4-6 years: 2 ¹/₂ tsp
- 7-10 years: 2 ¹/₂ 3 tsp
- 11-14 years: 3 3 ½ tsp
- 15 -18 years: 3 4 tsp



For recipes with healthy fats check the following website



FAT ~NEWSLETTER 3~

HOW TO FIND THE FAT CONTENT IN FOODS

Swap creamy and cheese sauces with tomato or vegetable based sauces

Choose beans, chickpeas and lentils, lean meat, chicken / turkey without skin instead of sausages, burgers, pate, salami,

Change crisps and chocolate for fresh or dried fruit or nuts and seeds

Change lard, dripping, ghee, butter and coconut oil for vegetable oils - such as olive, sunflower, soya or rapeseed oil











Food labels on the front of packs can be a useful tool to help us identify whether foods are high (red), medium (amber) or low (green) in saturated fat. A product where the fat and saturated fat is labelled as 'red' should be eaten less often.

For more information about checking food labels read the following article



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Each grilled burger (94g) contains

1	Energy 924 kJ 220 kcal	13a	Saturates 5.9g	Sugars 0.8g	Salt 0.7g
	11%	19%	30%	<1%	12%

of an adult's reference intake Typical values (as sold) per 100g: Energy 966kJ / 230kcal