MY MESSAGE TO YOU

WHAT MAKES PEOPLE GAIN WEIGHT?

• Eating foods that are too high in fat and sugar
• Eating too much of any food (too much energy for what your body needs)
• Eating large serve sizes
• Drinking too much soft drink, cordial, sports and energy drinks
• Drinking too much alcohol
• Not doing enough physical activity
• Some medications

HEALTHY WEIGHT

TUCKER TALK TIPS

• Wholegrain breads and cereals – These are low in fat. The high fibre varieties like porridge will fill you up more.
• Plenty of vegetables – Vegies are fat-free and high in fibre and have many other nutrients that keep us healthy.
• Fresh fruit – Fruit is a healthy alternative to other snack foods. It is better to eat whole fruit than to drink juice.
• Lean meat – It is important to choose lean cuts. Trim the fat off meat and the skin off chicken before cooking.
• More fish – It is better to have it grilled, not battered. Canned tuna is cheap and convenient.
• Try some legumes – These include lentils, split peas, chick peas and baked beans. They are cheap, low in fat and high in fibre and protein to help make you feel full.

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WATCH OUT FOR HIDDEN FAT AND SUGAR

FATTY MEATS: 6 TEASPOONS OF FAT PER SERVE

KANGAROO: LOW FAT

SWEET DRINKS: 10 TEASPOONS OF SUGAR PER SERVE

WATER: NO SUGAR

THE MORE YOU MOVE, THE MORE YOU LOSE

• The more active you are the easier it will be to lose weight and stay healthy.
• Try to be active in as many different ways as you can throughout the day.
• Any form of movement is good – not just ‘exercise’ or ‘sport’.
• Try to do at least 30 minutes of physical activity every day.
• This doesn’t have to be done all at once, you could do it in 3 lots of 10 minutes.
• Have a check-up with your doctor first if you have not been active for a long time.

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