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Pumpkin Salad

Season: Summer/Autumn

Serves: 30 tastes in the classroom or 6 at home

Fresh from the garden: pumpkin, spring onions, spinach

Equipment:

metric measuring cup and spoons

clean tea towel

chopping board

cook's knife

salad spinner

large mixing bowl

baking tray

small frying pan

small saucepan

wooden spoon

serving platters

Ingredients:

1/2 large pumpkin, cut into 2 cm cubes

1 tbsp olive oil

1 tsp salt

1/4 tsp ground pepper

1/4 tsp nutmeg

1 tsp cinnamon, plus an extra dash

for the yohurt

1 tsp powdered ginger

½ tsp turmeric

1 tsp allspice

1/2 cup pepitas (pumpkin seeds)

1/4 cup tahini

1 tbsp rice malt syrup or honey

1/4 cup yoghurt

3 large handfuls of spinach, washed and spun

5 spring onions, finely chopped

What to do:

- 1. Preheat the oven to 220°C.
- 2. Prepare all of the ingredients based on the instructions in the ingredients list.
- 3. Place the pumpkin in the bowl and add the oil, salt, pepper and spices.
- **4.** Toss and transfer to a baking tray and bake in the oven for about **20** minutes, until golden.
- 5. Heat the pepitas in the frying pan until they start to become golden, then set them aside to cool.
- 6. In the small saucepan, mix the tahini and malt syrup over low heat until runny.
- Add the yoghurt, plus an extra dash of cinnamon, and thin with a splash of water if necessary.
- 8. Arrange the spinach leaves on a serving platter and scatter over the pumpkin, pepitas and spring onions.
- 9. Pour the tahini dressing over the salad and serve.

