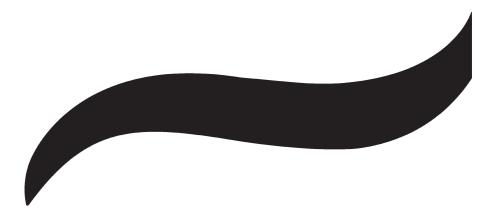




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FOOD SOURCES OF VITAMINS AND MINERALS

A healthy, varied and balanced diet gives us the vitamins and minerals needed for health.

If your child's diet is limited, it makes it more difficult to make sure they get all their vitamins and minerals. For example, some children may only choose to eat food of one texture, or one colour.

This leaflet gives some ideas of food with different vitamins and minerals which can help you in choosing foods to meet your child's vitamin and mineral needs.

Food sources alone are not able to give us the amount of vitamin D we need.

Please be aware, free vitamin D supplements are available in Lanarkshire for:

- All pregnant women
- Breast feeding mums
- All mums in the 1 year post natal period
- All children up to the age of 3 years (please note these are not required if a baby is taking more than 500mls of formula milk).

You can pick these up from many distribution points throughout Lanarkshire including Health centre receptions. Please ask your health visitor or midwife for more information.



Vitamin/mineral	Where to find
A	 Milk and dairy products Eggs Oily fish Liver Yellow, red & green vegetables Yellow fruit (mango)
B1(Thiamine)	 Peas Fresh & dried fruit Eggs Wholegrain bread Fortified breakfast cereal Liver
B2 (Riboflavin)	 Milk and dairy products Eggs Fortified breakfast cereals Brown rice
B3 (Niacin)	 Meat Fish Wheat flour Eggs Milk and dairy products
Pantothenic acid (B5)	 Chicken Beef Potatoes Porridge Tomatoes Kidney Eggs Broccoli Wholegrains

Vitamin/mineral	Where to find	
B6 (Pyridoxine)	 Pork Chicken Fish Bread Eggs Vegetables Soya beans Milk and dairy products Potatoes 	
Biotin (B7)	 Egg yolk Nuts Fortified breakfast cereals Bread Soybeans Liver Kidney 	
B12	 Meat Salmon Cod Milk and dairy products Cheese Eggs Fortified breakfast cereals 	
C	 Oranges and orange juice Red & green peppers Strawberries Blackcurrants Green leafy vegetables e.g. kale/ spinach/cabbage/brocolli Brussel sprouts Potatoes 	

Vitamin/mineral	Where to find
D	 Sunlight Oily fish Egg yolk Meats Fortified spreads
E	 Plant oils - such as soya, corn & olive oil Nuts and seeds Fortified breakfast cereals
К	 Green leafy vegetables e.g. kale/ spinach/cabbage/brocolli Vegetable oils Fortified breakfast cereals
Iron	 All meat Fish Egg yolk Beans & lentils Fortified breakfast cereals Nuts, nut butters & seeds Dried fruit Green leafy vegetables e.g. kale/ spinach/cabbage/brocolli
Magnesium	 Green leafy vegetables e.g. kale/ spinach/cabbage/brocolli Nuts Brown rice Bread (especially wholegrain) Fish Meat Milk and dairy products

Vitamin/mineral	Where to find	
Calcium	 Milk and dairy products Calcium enriched milk alternatives Sardines Fortified bread & cereal Green leafy vegetables e.g. kale/ spinach/cabbage/brocolli 	
Folic Acid	 Green leafy vegetables e.g. kale/ spinach/cabbage/brocolli Beans Oranges Wholegrain foods such as wholemeal bread and whole oats Chicken Fortified breakfast cereal 	
lodine	 Fish Shellfish Milk and dairy products 	
Chromium	 Meat Whole grains - such as wholemeal bread and whole oats Lentils Green leafy vegetables e.g. kale/ spinach/cabbage/brocolli Potatoes Spices 	
Copper	 Nuts Shellfish Offal 	
Manganese	 Bread Nuts Fortified breakfast cereals Peas & runner beans 	

Vitamin/mineral	Where to find	
Molybdenum	 Nuts Tinned vegetables Cereals - such as oats Peas Green leafy vegetables e.g. kale/ spinach/cabbage/brocolli Cauliflower 	
Phosphorus	 Red meat Milk and dairy products Fish Chicken Bread Brown rice Oats 	
Potassium	 Fruit - such as bananas some vegetables - such as broccoli, parsnips & brussels sprouts Pulses Nuts & seeds Fish Shellfish Beef Chicken Turkey 	
Selenium	 Brazil nuts Fish Meat Eggs 	
Zinc	 Meat Shellfish Milk and dairy products Bread Fortified breakfast cereals 	

If your child does not manage to include some of the suggested foods, they may benefit from a shop bought children's multivitamin containing the vitamin or mineral they are lacking.

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