Vegetable Pasta Bake. (Serves 4)

Ingredients:

300gms pasta (we used shells)

2 tablespoonfuls Olive Oil (or other vegetable oil)

2 cloves Garlic (crushed)

1 medium Onion (chopped).

Small Leek (chopped)

2 small Carrots or1 large (grated)

2 (red) peppers (sliced)

200gms mushrooms (chopped)

1 tin Tomatoes

1 Vegetable Stock Cube

1/4 litre Boiling Water

Handful fresh basil (or other herb, chopped)

Salt and Pepper

100gms grated Cheese



Method:

- 1. Prepare vegetables by washing or peeling if necessary, and chopping.
- 2. Heat oil in large pan and fry the garlic & onion for a few minutes before adding the chopped fresh veg.
- 3. Stir fry together for 5 minutes making sure they do not stick to the pan.
- 4. Add the boiling water to the stock cube in a measuring jug and dissolve it.
- 5. Add the tin of tomatoes and stock to the pan and stir well.
- 6. Now add salt and pepper and simmer the whole lot for 10 minutes.
- 7. In that time boil the pasta until cooked.
- 8. Mix sauce & pasta together & place in oven proof dish
- 9. Sprinkle with grated cheese.
- 10. Put under the grill until cheese browns & bubbles.

Any combination of the above vegetables can be used, or substituted for others.