Quick Creamy Pasta



This is one of my favourite quick dinners to make. The pasta itself is four simple ingredients - pasta, cream, chutney, and cheese. And from here you can add other ingredients. A perfect way to use up any leftovers or sad veg in the fridge.

Ingredients:

- 400g spaghetti
- 11/2 cups cream
- 1/2 cup fruit chutney/tomato relish
- 1 cup grated cheese

Optional addins:

- 1 onion or leek, diced
- 4 rashes of bacon
- 1 cup shredded leftover roast chicken
- 2 cloves crushed garlic
- 4 button mushrooms, sliced
- 1/2 cup peas
- 1 handful baby spinach leaves
- 1 handful cherry tomatoes
- 1/4 cup fresh herbs (parsley and thyme)

Method:

- 1. Bring a large pot of water to boil and add a pinch of salt. Cook the spaghetti as per packet directions, until al dente. Once cooked don't drain the water.
- 2. If you are using additional ingredients, sauté them in a frypan while the pasta cooks, until they are soft and starting to caramelise.
- 3. Add the cream and chutney and stir to combine.
- 4. Using tongs, transfer the pasta into the sauce. This allows some of the pasta water to be transferred too, which helps the sauce become even creamier.
- 5. Add the grated cheese and gently stir to combine.
- 6. Season with salt and pepper and serve.