## **Supplementary Material**

**Table 1.** Healthy lifestyle behaviour cut-offs used in the analysis (half serves in the recommendations were rounded up to whole serves).

Indicator	Healthy (met indicator)	Unhealthy (did not meet indicator)			
Fruit recommendations (serves per day)					
5-8 years	≥ <b>2</b> <sup>a</sup>	<2			
9-15 years	≥2	<2			
Vegetables recommendations (serves per day)					
5-8 years	≥5 <sup>b</sup>	<5			
9-11 years	≥5	<5			
12-15 years, girls	≥5	<5			
12-15 years, boys	≥6 °	<6			
Discretionary foods (serves per week)					
5-15 years	≤3	>3			
Average time in PA/day (minutes)					
5-15 years	≥60	<60			
Average time screen time/day (hours)					
5-15 years	<2	≥2			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> 1.5 in National Health and Medical Research Committee (NHMRC) Dietary Guidelines (27).

 $<sup>^{\</sup>mathrm{b}}$  4.5 in National Health and Medical Research Committee (NHMRC) Dietary Guidelines (27).

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm c}$  5.5 in National Health and Medical Research Committee (NHMRC) Dietary Guidelines (27).

**Table 2.** Unadjusted associations between diet/physical activity indicators and scoring in the at-risk range for each of the Strength and Difficulty Questionnaire (SDQ) subscales.

	Emotional Symptoms OR (95% CI)		Conduct Problems OR (95% CI)		Hyper-activity OR (95% CI)		Peer Problems OR (95% CI)		Prosocial Behaviour OR (95% CI)	
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	5-10 years	11-15years	5-10years	11-15years	5-10years	11-15years	5-10years	11-15years	5-10years	11-15years
Met fruit recommendation	0.70	0.73	0.83	0.67	0.70	1.19	0.49	0.75	0.83	1.16
	(0.42,1.17)	(0.45-1.19)	(0.45,1.54)	(0.33-1.33)	(0.43-1.14)	(0.67-2.09)	(0.26-0.92)*	(0.44-1.26)	(0.27-2.56)	(0.44-3.08)
Met vegetable recommendation	0.36 (0.07,1.91)	0.67 (0.23-2.01)	0.57 (0.14,2.38)	0.41 (0.12-1.46)	0.46 (0.17-1.27)	0.45 (0.16-1.33)	0.97 (0.29-3.25)	1.04 (0.38-2.82)	NA#	0.34 (0.6-1.92)
Met discretionary food limit	0.82	0.78	0.44	0.53	0.61	0.64	0.71	0.73	0.06	0.62
	(0.49,1.36)	(0.48-1.27)	(0.22,0.88)*	(0.27-1.04)	(0.37-1.00)	(0.37-1.12)	(0.37-1.34)	(0.44-1.23)	(0.02-0.18)*	(0.21-1.83)
Met PA recommendation	0.60 (0.36-	0.74	0.67 (0.36-	0.89	1.20	0.92	0.61	0.37	0.74	0.95
	1.02)	(0.43-1.27)	1.26)	(0.44-1.82)	(0.72-1.99)	(0.52-1.63)	(0.32-1.16)	(0.20-0.70)*	(0.24-2.27)	(0.33-2.72)
Met screen time recommendation	0.46 (0.27-	0.61	0.42 (0.22-	0.70	0.44 (0.26-	0.53	0.35	0.68	0.18	0.25
	0.78)*	(0.36-1.04)	0.80)*	(0.33-1.48)	0.72)*	(0.29-0.96)*	(0.18-0.69)*	(0.38-1.20)	(0.06-0.56)*	(0.06-0.97)*

<sup>\*</sup>p<0.05, #Insufficient responses to report this measure.





**Table 3.** Demographics included in multivariable analysis of diet and physical activity factors predictive of total difficulties score in children aged 5-15 years, stratified by age.

## **Mean Score Difference**

	5-10 years	11-15 years
Sex (ref: female)	-1.59 (-2.65, - 0.55)**	-1.26 (-2.41, -0.10)*
Mother completed high school/diploma (ref: University degree)	0.36 (-1.34, 2.05)	3.45 (1.80, 5.09) ***
Mother completed year 10 or below (ref: University degree)	1.26 (0.16, 2.35)**	1.03 (0.01, 2.06)*
Age	-0.01 (-0.26, 0.25)	-0.21 (-0.56, 0.15)
Single parent family	1.93 (0.71, 3.14)*	2.08 (0.69, 3.46)**
Living regional or remote (ref: Major cities)	-1.27 (-2.22, - 0.32)**	0.63 (-0.55, 1.80)
BMI: overweight/obese	0.54 (-0.61, 1.70)	1.15 (-0.57, 2.87)

<sup>\*\*\* =</sup> P<0.001, \*\*= P<0.01, \*=P<0.05. All factors were included in a single multivariable model, adjusted for age, sex, BMI, mother's highest qualification, family structure (single parent family), and remoteness.