

Across the Fence

Peanut Butter Bar Recipe – August 2020

Lunch Lady Peanut Butter Bars

2 cups flour	½ cup milk + 2 tablespoons, divided
2 cups sugar	1 tsp. baking soda
2 large eggs, beaten	1 tsp. vanilla extract
1½ cup peanut butter, divided	1 tsp. salt
1½ cups unsalted butter, softened	4 cups powdered sugar

Preheat oven to 400°F. Grease a large cookie sheet or line with parchment paper. Mix together dry ingredients: flour, sugar, baking soda, and salt. Set aside. Whisk together ½ cup milk, vanilla extract, eggs. Set aside. In a saucepan, melt 1 cup (2 sticks) of butter and 1 cup peanut butter, bring to a boil. Remove from heat and slowly add flour mixture, followed by milk and egg mixture. Mix until well combined. Pour batter onto cookie sheet, spreading batter evenly to edges. Bake for 20 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool completely before frosting.

For frosting: In a saucepan, bring 1 stick butter and ½ cup peanut butter to a boil. Add 2 tablespoons milk and slowly mix in powdered sugar until well combined. Pour frosting over cake, spreading evenly to edges. For ease, wrap your hand with a plastic bag and spread and pat down frosting evenly over cake. Allow frosting to cool and set before serving. Cut into small bars. Delicious with a cold tall glass of milk.

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