# **Cupcakes**

#### Method

- 1. Preheat oven to 160°C
- 2. Line the muffin tray with the paper cases
- 3. Weigh out the sugar into a large bowl
- 4. Weigh out the butter then add it to the large bowl

Use a small bowl for weighing

Use a white chopping board if necessary

- 5. Cream the butter and caster sugar in the large mixing bowl [A]
  - ! Butter may need to soften before creaming is possible Use a safety mat to keep the bowl firm

Use the back of the wooden spoon against the side of the bowl

- 6. Crack 2 eggs into the measuring jug
  - ! Wash hands after touching raw egg
  - ! Make sure eggshells are put in the bin
- 7. Beat the eggs together with a fork
- 8. Weigh out 75g of egg into the small bowl

Discard any remaining egg later once your cakes are cooking

- 9. Add a tablespoon of the egg to the creamed mixture
- 10. Beat until egg is incorporated into the mixture
- Repeat the previous steps until all the egg is incorporated into the mixture
- 12. Scrape down the sides of the mixing bowl with a spatula.
- Wash and dry the small bowl, or find something else suitable for weighing out flour
- 14. Weigh out the flour
- 15. Measure out baking powder and add it to the flour
- 16. Sieve the flour and baking powder into the cake mixture
- 17. Fold until fully incorporated [B]
  - ! Do not overmix

Use spatula to scrape down the sides of the mixing bowl

- 18. Measure out the vanilla essence and carefully fold in
- 19. Portion the mixture evenly between the paper cases

Use two dessert spoons

Do not fill to the very top

- 20. Bake for 13 15 minutes until well risen and golden-brown [C]
  - ! Opening the oven door early will cause cakes to sink
  - ! Try and cook at the same time as your partner

If unsure, use a vegetable knife to test for readiness

21. Transfer cooked cakes to cooling rack

### **Ingredients**

- 1.5 eggs
- 75g self-raising flour
- 75g butter or margarine
- 75g caster sugar
- 6 cupcake paper cases
- 0.5 tsp vanilla essence (school)
- 0.5 tsp baking powder (school)
- Container

## **Equipment**

- Blue tray
- Safety mat
- Wooden spoon
- Weighing scales
- Timer
- Measuring spoons
- Round bladed knife
- Spatula
- 2 dessert spoons
- Vegetable knife
- Fork
- Large bowl
- Small bowl
- Sieve
- Cooling rack
- Muffin tray
- Measuring jug

# **Key Moments**





[A] Butter and sugar before and after being creamed with a wooden spoon



**[B]** Flour has been fully folded into the mixture



[C] Well risen golden brown cupcakes