

# Ruralco Kids

## Dear Santa...

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### POST TO:

Santa Claus, Santa's Workshop  
North Pole 0001

## CHRISTMAS TREE COOKIES

125g butter, softened  
1/2 tsp vanilla  
1 cup brown sugar  
2 eggs  
2 1/2 cups plain flour  
1 tsp baking powder

### TO DECORATE:

1 packet of Mini M&Ms

### METHOD:

Heat oven to 180° Celsius.

Beat butter, vanilla and sugar until creamy. Add eggs one at a time, beating well. Finally, mix in flour and baking powder until just mixed.

Roll the cookie dough into two, even logs. Wrap them in baking paper and refrigerate for at least an hour. Slice the cookie logs into 1cm sections.

Place the sections onto lined baking trays, leaving room for the cookies to spread. Use the Mini M&Ms to create Christmas tree shapes on the top of each cookie, pressing them gently into the dough.

Bake for 10 minutes until golden brown.



## PIPECLEANER SNOWFLAKES

Perfect for the Christmas Tree

### YOU WILL NEED:

2 silver pipecleaners  
3 green pipecleaners

### HOW TO MAKE THEM:

Cut the two silver pipecleaners in half. Put one piece to the side so you are left with three. Twist these three together in the middle and spread them so you have a shape with six points (see the image to help you).

Cut the green pipecleaners in half and then in half again to get 12 pieces. Twist these on to the silver pipecleaners to decorate your snowflake.

To hang your snowflake, take the silver pipecleaner you put aside, make a loop and twist this on to one of the silver ends of the snowflake.



## COPY THE CHRISTMAS TREE

Copy the Christmas Tree using the gridlines to guide you. You might find it easiest to copy one square at a time.

