Fig Squares

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If you're a fan of fig rolls, you'll love this simple fig traybake. Dried figs are cooked down with water and sugar to create a sticky, gooey filling used to sandwich together some soft biscuit dough. Pop these squares in your lunch-box or serve them warm with custard.

Ingredients:

600g dried figs
225ml water
400g caster sugar
225g plain flour
100g butter
1 tbsp. milk
1 tsp. baking powder
1/2 tsp. salt

Directions:

- 1. Sit the figs in the water for one hour before combining in a saucepan with half of the sugar. Cook over a medium heat until thick and syrupy and then remove from the heat and leave to one side to cool.
- 2. Cream together the butter and sugar until smooth and fluffy, then beat in the milk. Combine the flour, baking powder and salt and sieve into the butter and sugar mixture.
- 3. Stir until you have a dough and then cover and put into the fridge for one hour.
- 4. Preheat the oven to 180C and then divide the dough into two. Roll each half out into the size of a baking tray. Grease a baking tray and then lay one half of the dough onto the baking tray.
- 5. Cover with the fig mixture and then lay the remaining piece of dough over the top.
- 6. Place into the oven and cook for 25-30 minutes. Cool and then cut into squares.

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