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kz THIS Week

The almost-EXPLODING hot cross buns

It might look a bit unusual, but we're going to be making hot cross buns. These buns are a traditional Easter treat, and they're also a bit of a challenge to make. They're made with a special recipe that includes a bit of yeast, and they're usually decorated with a cross on top. In this article, we'll show you how to make them, and we'll also give you some tips on how to make them the perfect way.



NEXT WEEK IN k14zone SPACE NOVA



1

Draw a half circle.

2

Add a jagged top.

3

Add another half circle with long ears.

Finally, add detail to your bunny and colour your Easter egg.

4



Easter eggs represent new life.

- A True
- B False



In the Easter story, Jesus travelled on a donkey to Jerusalem to celebrate what event?

- A Passover
- B Christmas
- C New Year



What is the name of the Sunday before Easter?

- A Shrove Sunday
- B Ash Sunday
- C Palm Sunday



In Australia, how many days generally make up the Easter long weekend?

- A Three
- B Four
- C Five

According to the book of Matthew in the Bible, which of Jesus' friends first discovered that he was alive again, and no longer in the tomb?

- A Peter and Thomas
- B James and Philip
- C Mary and Mary



Easter is celebrated on the same dates every year?

- A True
- B False



In the Easter episode of *Bluey*, Bluey and Bingo find a series of clues that lead them to what?

- A the Easter bunny
- B an Easter egg hunt
- C Bandit eating all their Easter eggs



In the movie *Hop*, a teenage rabbit named EB would rather do what than take over as Easter Bunny?

- A be a drummer
- B be a plumber
- C go surfing all summer



What type of bun is eaten at Easter?

- A finger bun
- B hot cross bun
- C cinnamon bun



What kind of hat is paraded in a fun Easter event?

- A bonnet
- B bucket hat
- C beanie



HAPPY Easter QUIZ



The almost- **EXPLODING** hot cross buns

By Faye Michelson

Faith felt a bit nervous. She was going to try cooking hot cross buns.

Cheffy handed her a sheet of paper. "Here's my recipe."

"Thanks!" Faith said, taking it from him.

Cheffy looked at her in surprise. "You seem worried! What's wrong?"

Faith sighed. "I don't cook very often, or at least not food. I mainly cook up chemicals!"

Cheffy patted her shoulder. "Give it a go! I think you'll find cooking food is a lot like cooking up experiments."

That afternoon Faith gathered all the ingredients for the hot cross buns on the kitchen bench, read through the recipe, took a deep breath and started mixing.

"Mix in the butter, sugar, milk," she said to herself. "Put in the flour ... hang on! What's this?"

She looked carefully at the packet she was holding. "Ooops!"

It wasn't flour! It was marked 'Exploding Powder'. She'd made it

the other day in her lab and brought it up to show her mum and dad.

"That's excellent, Faith," Mum had said. "But can you please keep it in your lab? I don't want it in the kitchen! What if I accidentally used it when I was cooking?"

Ooopsies! Faith remembered that she'd meant to take it back to her lab, but her brother had started watching their fave show in the TV room and she'd got distracted. Mum must have put it in the pantry by mistake.

"That was close!" Faith thought with a grin. How much trouble would she have been in if Mum had used it? Then she laughed at the idea of making exploding hot cross buns – imagine that!

Faith rolled the dough into balls and placed them on a tray. Mum had already put the oven on to heat up and came into the kitchen to put the tray in.

"These buns look amazing," she said, opening the oven door. The heat wooshed out.

"Phew! That's hot!" Faith said.

Mum nodded. "Sure is. I'll come back when the timer goes off to take them out for you."

A delicious, spicy smell wafted through the house as the hot cross buns cooked. In a little while Mum called out, "The timer has gone off, Faith! Let's get the buns out!"

To her mum's surprise, Faith appeared in her heat protection suit. "Why are you wearing that?"

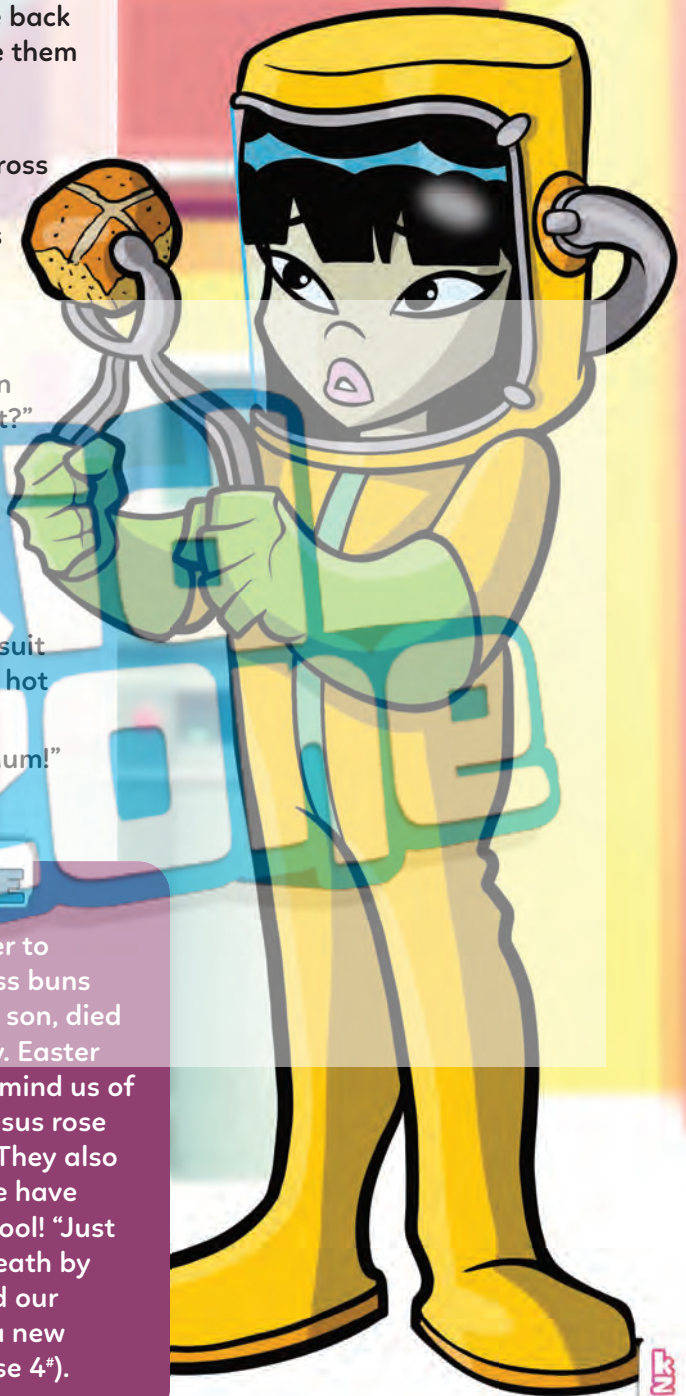
"It's so hot near the oven," Faith explained. "And I'll use these tongs to take the hot cross buns off the tray."

Mum laughed. "For a moment I thought you were wearing the suit because you'd made exploding hot cross buns!"

Faith giggled. "Not this time, Mum!"



We do many things at Easter to remind us of Jesus. Hot cross buns remind us that Jesus, God's son, died on the cross on Good Friday. Easter eggs are hollow inside to remind us of the empty tomb because Jesus rose from the dead and is alive. They also remind us of the new life we have when we believe in Jesus. Cool! "Just as Jesus was raised from death by the wonderful power of God our Father, so we can now live a new life" (Romans chapter 6 verse 4#).



CK'S TREEHOUSE



Dear Kidzoners, Thanks for all your letters, photos and drawings – I love collecting them, so keep sending them to me so I can hang them up in my tree house. I can't wait to hear from you!

– Cousin Koala (CK)

Send your letters to:
Cousin Koala, 95-99 Railway Rd,
Blackburn Vic. 3130

I love to play hide-and-seek. Can you find me on one of this week's Kidzone pages?

Hey CK,
I wanted to say thank you for putting my letter in Kidzone.
My mum and dad own a coffee shop called Surely Goodness. You should visit some time.
Love Austin.

G'day Austin,
You are very welcome! Thank you for writing again.
A very big thank you for your kind invitation! Can you get a chocolate milkshake from Surely Goodness? I love chocolate milkshakes! What about muffins? I LOVE chocolate muffins!
You are so good at drawing cars! The mag wheels are my favourite part. I think Oliver will be really impressed! Do you have a favourite type of car?

See ya later!
Bear hugs
- CK

Dear CK,

I hope you like this picture of me and could you add my birthday to the birthday list? My birthday is 26 March.

What's your favourite movie/show? Mine is Inside Out 2.

♥♥♥ Isla L

Hello Isla!

I love your picture! Thank you for sending it! Did you spot your birthday on my list? It was in the 'Hello Kitty Island Adventure' edition. I hope you had a super fun birthday. Do you do anything fun to celebrate?

My favourite movie at the moment is Paddington. I like all of the Paddington movies! I really enjoyed Inside Out 2 as well and I can't wait to watch Dog Man again. Have you seen Dog Man?
Bear hugs - CK

COUSIN KOALA



MAKE YOUR OWN EASTER MEMORY GAME!



What you need:

pages 8 and 9 of this
Kidzone mag, coloured
A4 paper, scissors or
craft knife, glue stick

DIRECTIONS:

- 1 Start by lifting out pages 8 and 9 of the mag.
- 2 Glue the mag pages to your coloured paper. Be generous with the glue – each tile needs to stick to the coloured paper so make sure there's a good covering of glue behind each tile.
- 3 Allow to dry completely.
- 4 Once dry, cut out the tiles. You're ready to play!

HOW TO PLAY:

- 1 Turn over the tiles so that all the symbols are face down. Shuffle them around so they're mixed up well.
- 2 Players take turns turning over two tiles per turn. If you find a pair, keep the tiles and have another turn. If you turn over tiles that don't match, turn them back over in the same place – and try to remember what was on them for your next turn. (Pay attention to what tiles other players turn over, too.)
- 3 Play continues until all the tile pairs have been found. Players count up how many pairs they found. The player with the most wins.

The illustrations on our tiles are all symbols of Easter. Symbols are images or things that represent something else. Symbols help us remember all kinds of things. A recycling symbol on a bin helps us know which sort of rubbish to put there. A green traffic light is a symbol that means 'go'. A heart is a symbol of love.

The tiles in our game feature symbols of Easter to help us remember Jesus' incredible love and sacrifice for us. "The greatest love you can have for your friends is to give your life for them" (John chapter 15, verse 13).

JESUS



Easter celebrates Jesus coming back to life.
1 Peter 1:3

EGG HUNT

Easter egg hunts are a fun way to celebrate Easter. Romans 6:9



MARY MAGDALENE



Mary was thrilled to discover Jesus was alive! John 20:18

DYED EGG



Eggs remind us of new life.
John 3:16

EASTER BUNNY

The Easter Bunny is a symbol of new life. 2 Cor 5:17



CROSS



Jesus died on a cross.
John 19:6

PALM LEAF



People waved palm leaves to welcome Jesus.
John 12:13

CHICK

A sign of new life.
Galatians 2:20



TOMB



Jesus' friends were excited to find Jesus' tomb empty!
Luke 24:2-3

DONKEY



Jesus rode a donkey into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday.
John 12:14-15

HOT CROSS BUN

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

APRIL

SUN 20

Sathiyar Jayanthakumar (9)

MON 21

Macie Grant (11)

TUE 22

Edith Bennett (7)

WED 23

Faye Mansueto (8)

THU 24

Adlai Makanda (5)

FRI 25

Stephen Horton (11)

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EATS

I'M MAKING...

HOT CROSS BUNS

what you need:

an adult's help, 2 tsp dried yeast, ¾ cup warm water, 3 cups flour, 1 tsp salt, ¼ tsp cinnamon, ½ tsp butter (melted), 2 tbsp mixed sultanas. For the crosses: 1 cup caster sugar, 1½ tbsp warm water, 2 tbsp caster sugar

1 Line a baking tray with baking paper.

2 Mix yeast with sugar and warm water in a small bowl. Cover and stand for approx. 10 minutes until frothy.

3 In a large bowl sift flour, salt, cinnamon and mixed spice. Make a well in the centre of flour and pour in yeast mixture, butter,



dried yeast, 2 tbsp sugar,
cups plain flour, 1 tsp
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp mixed spice, 2 tbsp
p milk, 1 egg (beaten), $\frac{1}{2}$ cup
ses: 3 tbsp plain flour, 2 tbsp
water. For the glaze: $\frac{1}{3}$ cup
sugar

directions:

milk, egg and sultanas. Mix
into a soft dough.

4 On a floured surface,
knead dough until smooth
and elastic. Return dough
to mixing bowl, cover and
let stand in a warm place
until the dough roughly
doubles in size (20-30
minutes).

5 Divide dough into 12
pieces and shape each
into a bun. Place on lined
tray, cover and stand in a
warm place for another 20
minutes.

6 Ask an adult to
help you preheat
oven to 200°C.
Just before placing
buns in the oven,
make the paste

for the crosses by mixing
together the flour, caster
sugar and water in a small
bowl. Use a piping bag or
ziplock bag with the corner
snipped off to pipe a cross
on each bun.

7 Bake buns at 200°C for
10 minutes then reduce
temperature to 180°C
and cook for a further
5 minutes until golden
brown.

8 To make the glaze,
combine water and sugar
in a small saucepan. Stir
over heat to dissolve sugar
and bring to a boil. Brush
glaze over the buns just
after they're cooked and
then let cool.

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EARTH DAY 2025

Tuesday 22 April is Earth Day. It's an annual event to raise awareness of environmental issues that are having a negative impact on our planet. The theme for Earth Day

2025 is 'Our Power, Our Planet' – inviting everyone around the globe to get behind renewable energy.

The world's first Earth Day was in 1970, which means this year's event celebrates 55 years of people wanting to care more about our beautiful planet.

Find out more how you can take action on Earth Day – and every day – at www.earthday.org.



WORLD PENGUIN DAY

Friday 25 April is World Penguin Day. This day raises awareness about these amazing flightless birds and how to protect their species and

habitat for future generations.

DID YOU KNOW there are 17 species of penguin and they are all found in the Southern Hemisphere? The smallest is the little blue penguin, sometimes called the fairy penguin. The largest is the emperor penguin.



ANZAC DAY

Anzac Day is Australia and New Zealand's national day to remember the service and sacrifice of members of the armed forces. Armed forces are a country's army, navy and air force.

Anzac Day falls on 25 April each year. This date was officially named Anzac Day in 1916.

It is a public holiday in Australia and many events and services are held to remember all the brave men and women who have dedicated their lives to protecting our wonderful nation. Anzac Day badges are sold to raise money for the Anzac Appeal. This money supports veterans (people who served in the armed forces) and their families.

And, of course, Anzac biscuits are a popular – and yummy – tradition baked by thousands of Aussies to mark the special day.





*Entries will be judged on artistic merit.



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Full Name

Address

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Age

Parent's signature

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SAMUEL'S MEGA PUZZLE!

What do you do at Easter?

Do you eat hot cross buns? Do you have Easter egg hunts or dye eggs in pretty colours? Easter is a fun time, but it's also a special time of celebration and joy around the world for people who believe in Jesus. It's a time for us to remember how Jesus died and came alive again so we can have everlasting life with God.

Eggs, the cross, palm leaves, hot cross buns - these symbols help us to remember the true meaning of Easter. The palm leaves and donkey remind us of Jesus riding into Jerusalem with crowds of people welcoming him by waving palm leaves and shouting "Hosanna! Here comes the King!"

The crosses on hot cross buns remind us that Jesus, God's son, died on the cross on Good Friday so that all the wrong things we've done can be forgiven. Chocolate Easter eggs that are hollow inside remind us of the empty tomb because Jesus came alive again. Eggs also remind us of new life - the new life we have when we believe in Jesus. Awesome!

example:



= C for carrot

Use the first letter of each picture to
decode the Bible verse below!



(John chapter three,
verse 16#)

JESUS LOVES YOU! & wants to be your friend!

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Sam's Mega Puzzle: God loved the people in the world so much that he gave his one and only son to save them. Everyone who believes in the son will not die. Instead, they will live for ever with God.



ANSWERS CK: page 14.
Grid re: a-d3.
b:d2, c:c1, d:e6, e:a1, f:c3.
Word square: Celebrate.
Pages: 1-11, 2-3, 3-6.
4-12, 5-7, 6-13, 5:spot
the diff.

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What's your fave thing about Easter?

What's something new you've learnt about Easter this week?

Design an Easter card with the words 'Jesus is alive!' here ...

Write down all the Bible verses in this week's mag:



word square

How many words of three letters or more can you make from the letters in the square?



Each letter may be used only once per word and each word must contain the middle letter. There is one nine-letter word.

Clue: Easter is a time to

grid it

Can you work out the coordinates of the small squares which are taken from the big picture?



Note: some squares may be rotated.



spiral word search

Can you find the words listed in the spiral below?

- | | | |
|--------|---------------|--------|
| Jesus | Egg | Lamb |
| Bible | Bunny | Family |
| Cross | Hot Cross Bun | Bilby |
| Chick | Basket | Hunt |
| Easter | Jelly beans | Tomb |
| | Church | Angel |



Pages

Can you find where each of these pictures came from in this week's Kidzone?



spot the diff

Can you find the eight differences between these two pics?

