Tomato & Vegetable Soup with stripy Toast

Ingredients - Per Table

- 1 large onion ,chopped
- 1 large carrot, grated
- 2 sticks of celery, chopped
- 1 red pepper, deseeded and chopped
- 1 clove garlic, crushed
- 450ml vegetable stock
- 400g Tin chopped Tomato
- 1/2 tbsp tomato puree
- 2 tbsp double cream

- Dash of sugar
- 1 tsp fresh thyme
- 2 slices bread
- 75g cheddar cheese
- 75g red cheese

Prepare all vegetables-

- 1. Peel and chop the onion into small pieces, place in sauce pan
- 2. Wash, then chop red pepper into small chunks, place in saucepan
- 3. Wash and Slice the celery, place in saucepan
- 4. Peel then grate the carrot place in saucepan
- 5. Peel and crush garlic, place in saucepan.
- 6. Chop thyme and place in saucepan
- 7. Add 1tbs oil to saucepan
- 8.. Sauté on medium heat for 5 mins
- 9. Add the tinned tomatoes, stock, tomato puree, sugar to the saucepan.
- 10. Put lid on pan and cook for 15 mins or until vegetables are soft.
- 11. leave to cool for 10 mins then blend until smooth (wait for an adult to help you with this)
- 12. using a ladle put some soup into your bowl and swirl in a little cream.

Stripy toast

- 1. While soup is cooking preheat the grill and lightly toast the bread on both sides.
- 2.cut the cheese into about 5mm thick and 2cm wide. Cover the toast with strips of different yellow and red cheese alternating colours.
- 3. Put the toast back under the grill and cook until the cheese is bubbling.