Blessing our communities this Christmas

An angel is a symbol of love and joy, guardians who watch over us and point us towards our Heavenly Father, we would like to leave lots of angels around Cudham and Downe for people to find as we journey through Advent to arrive at the joy of Christmas Day.

We would like to start leaving the angels in Cudham and Downe from Sunday 28th November (Advent Sunday) and it would be super if you would like to join us in making some. The attached knitting pattern is for beginner knitters so us Archers are going to be trying that one!

Simple Knitting Pattern for an Angel

The angel should be about 10cm tall.

What you will need:
Some double knitting wool (any yarn or colour)
Knitting needles size 10 – 8 (3.25mm – 4mm)
depending on your tension
Darning needle for sewing up
Small amount of stuffing for the head

You will need a basic knowledge of knit and purl, but don't let that stop you if you haven't done it before. It's never too late to learn a new skill.

Angel's Body

Cast on 48 stitches

Row		Stitches
1	Knit	
2	Purl	
3	(Knit 2 together, Knit 10) 4 times	44
4	Purl	
5	Knit	
6	(Purl 2 together, Purl 9) 4 times	40
7	Knit	
8	Purl	
9	(Knit 2 together, Knit 8) 4 times	36
10	Purl	
11	Knit	
12	(Purl 2 together, Purl 7) 4 times	32
13	Knit	
14	Purl	
15	(Knit 2 together, Knit 6) 4 times	28
16	Purl	
17	Knit	
18	(Purl 2 together, Purl 5) 4 times	24
19	Knit	
20	Purl	
21	(Knit 2 together, Knit 4) 4 times	20
22	Purl	
23	Knit	
24	Purl	
25	Knit	
26	Purl	
27	Knit	
28	(If you want a different colour for the head, change now.) Purl	
29	Knit	
30	Purl	
31	Knit	
32	Purl	
33	Knit	
34	Purl	
35	Knit 2 together across the whole row	10
36	Purl	
37	Knit	
38	Purl 2 together across the whole row	5
	Using a darning needle, thread the end of the yarn through the stitches and tighten to create the top of the head. Turn the angel inside out and sew up the head and the body.	
	Thread some yarn through the stitches, like a drawstring, around the neck. Put a small amount of stuffing in the head, pull the drawstring tight and sew in the ends to create the head.	

Angel's Wings

Cast on 27 stitches

Row		Stitches
1	Knit	
2	Knit	
3	Knit 2 together, knit to last 2 stitches, knit 2 together	25
4	Knit	
5	Knit 2 together, knit to last 2 stitches, knit 2 together	23
6-15	Repeat row 5 until you have 3 stitches left	
16	Knit 3 stitches together, pass end of yarn through the last stitch	
	Sew the wings to the back of your angel. Twist or crochet a chain for the halo, secure in place. Cut a length of yarn about 15cm long, thread through the top of the head for a loop so that your angel can hang on the Christmas tree.	

Any questions please do contact me.

Many thanks

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