

VILLAGE VOICE

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Are you running out of books to read? If so, both the Village Hall and the Chapel have a store of books in a variety of genres. If you would like to have a selection delivered to your door, contact one of our coordinators stating your preferences. All free and with the strictest hygiene guaranteed



Many of our Howden families are passing the time with shared activities and crafts. Emma Gent and her family love doing jigsaws and the children's home schooling includes having a go at new craft ideas. Her eldest daughter has also been busy with excellent on-line work and teaching provided by Parkside Academy.

Estelle Gent



Samuel Gent



Hello from Irene and Alan,

We are into our third week of lockdown, and enjoying it, I don't like having to ask my long suffering daughter-in-law, who is working in the NHS, to get shopping for us, however I have managed to order an on-line shop but not until the 23rd April. We are lucky living here, out the front door, five times round the green, a bit of gardening, exercise done for the day. As my friends from the craft group at the Village hall know I have been making a patchwork quilt for the last year, thanks to the lockdown I am making real progress. This is the first of nine squares ready for the borders.

Irene Brian

Hello to all,

Hope you are all keeping safe and using social distancing. If anyone would like a bit of a project while we are in lockdown you may consider making bunting. Once this pandemic is over and it is once more safe to socialise we could decorate parts of the village as a victory over the virus (VV Day).

I have a knitting pattern you could share or, make up your own. You could cut up any old material scraps to do this. The children could get involved as they are very inventive.

There is no colour scheme you can use any wool or material you have. I have used 4mm/ size 8 needles but any you have will do.

Have fun and get crafty.

Kathleen Parkin

Bunting Pattern

DK wool, Size 5mm needles

Cast on 30 sts

Row 1. Knit

Row 2. K2tog, yo rep. to last 2sts, k2tog

Row 3. Knit

Row 4. K1, K2tog, K to last 3sts, K2tog K1

Row 5. Knit

Row 6. Knit

Rep Rows 3-6 until there are 5 sts left

Next row wrong side Knit

Next Row K, sl 2tog, K1, pssok1

Next Row Knit

Next Row S12tog, K 1 pssok1

Fasten off and weave in ends.

The bunting can be threaded with ribbon or a crochet chain through the eyelets.

