

BOBBY BUDDIES - Knitting pattern

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The 'Bobby Buddies' project aims to create small teddy bears (Bobby Buddies) for Bedfordshire Police officers and Victim Care Coordinators at the Signpost Hub to use when talking to and supporting children affected by crime. Bobby Buddies can be used as a communication aid, to comfort and reassure and to show the child there are good people in our community.

The 'Bobby Buddies' initiative aims to involve community groups, charities, women's refuges, knitting clubs and enthusiasts who would be willing to knit them. The project is being rolled out by Zoe, a Victim Care Coordinator in the Signpost Hub. The Signpost Hub provides free and confidential support to those affected by crime.

If you (the knitter) would like the child to know the first name of the person that knitted the bear, then please let us know.

Please note: the bears must not be made with buttons or beads for the safety of the child.

Handmade bears can be handed in to your local Police Station, or Bedfordshire Police HQ in Kempston (FAO Zoe Davis, Signpost Hub).
Alternatively, they can be posted to: **Bedfordshire Police HQ, Kempston, Woburn Road, MK43 9AX**



Materials

- Double Knitting Wool; Black, Yellow, Grey and Brown. Blue (Optional)
- Three 1/4mm Knitting Needles
- Stuffing

Legs X2

1. 1st Leg; In black wool, cast on 5 stitches
2. Next Row; Knit 1, make 1, knit 1, makes 1, continue to the end of the row, making 17 stitches
3. Continue in garter stitch and work 17 rows
4. Break yarn and push these stitches to the left hand side of the needle
5. 2nd Leg; Repeat as per 1st leg, but don't break the yarn.
6. Join legs
7. Next Row; Knit across, 17 stitches increase 1 stitch into the last stitch then knit across the remaining 17 stitches of the first leg

Arms X2

1. In black wool, cast on 3 stitches and knit 1 row
2. Increase 1st at each end of the row for 6 rows, making 15 stitches
3. Continue knitting for 13 rows
4. Next row - Knit 1, Knit 2 together to end, making 8 stitches
5. Next Row; Knit 2 together, making 4 stitches
6. Break yarn, leaving a length or making up. Thread through remaining stitches, pull tightly and fasten off
7. Repeat for 2nd arm

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Head

1. Change to brown wool
2. Next row knit 1, make 1, knit 1 to end of row making 27 stitches
3. Knit 1 row
4. Next Row, (K6, M1, K1, M1, K6) K1) repeat from () making 31 stitches
5. Knit 1 row
6. (K7, M1, K1, M1, K7) K1 repeat from () making 35 stitches
7. Continues knitting 9 rows
8. Shape the head: K7 (K2 tog twice, K13, K2 together twice) K7 making 31 stitches)
9. Knit 1 row
10. Knit 6, K2 tog twice, knit 11, K2 tog twice, K6 making 27 stitches
11. Knit 1 row
12. K1, K2, Tog to end of row making 14 stitches



Face

Stitch eyes, nose and mouth using black wool (Remember **NO** buttons or beads!)

Radio

1. In Grey wool, cast on 4 stitches
2. Next row; Knit 4 rows, cast off
3. Stitch to either side of the chest with the back wool, to make radio aerial

Body

8. Continue in black wool for a further 9 rows, change to yellow wool and knit a further 17 rows
9. Shape the shoulders: Knit 7 stitches, knit 2 stitches together twice. Knit 13 stitches, then knit two together. Knit 7 to make 31 stitches.
10. Next row: Knit 1 row
11. Next row: K6, K2, tog twice. K11 stitches, K2 together twice, K6 to make 27 stitches
12. Next row: Knit 1 row
13. Next row: Knit 1, K2 together to the end of the row, making 14 stitches

Ears X2

1. Cast on 5 stitches, knit 4 rows
2. Next Row: Knit 2 together, knit 1, knit 2 together
3. Next Row: Increase 1 stitch at end of the next row and knit 4 rows, then cast off
4. Repeat for second ear, and attach to top of head

Making the bear

1. Sew seam down the back of the head (leaving space at top to stuff), continue seam down the back. Fold legs and dew up seams
2. When all seams are stitched, place stuffing into gap at top of head.
3. Draw up stitches and fasten tightly
4. (Optional) Add a few row of blue wool to the back of the yellow to make the 'Police' label.

