

## Knitted Easter Chicks

(to fit over a Creme Egg)

## You will need:

Any coloured double knit wool A pair of needles UK Size 11 ( 3 mm )

Orange felt for the beaks Black felt or thread for the eye Cotton wool ball/toy stuffing for head Coloured ribbon to finish off
Chocolate Creme Egg (for size fit)


1. Cast on 20 sts
2. Knit 1 row
3. Inc in $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{st}, \mathrm{k} 8$, inc into next 2 sts, knit to end (23 sts)
4. Inc in $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{st}$, k9, inc into next 2 sts, knit to end (26 sts)
5. Inc in $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{st}, \mathrm{k} 11$, inc into next 2 sts, knit to end (29 sts)
6. Inc 1 st at the beg of every row until 42 sts are on the needle
7. Cast off 11 sts at the beg of next 2 rows ( 20 sts)
8. Increase 1 st at the beg of the next 4 rows ( 24 sts)
9. Knit 4 rows K 2 , then k 2 tog to last 2 sts, k 2 (14 sts)
10. Knit 4 rows K2, then k2tog to last 2 sts, k 2 (9 sts)
11. Draw wool through rem 9 sts and pull tight
12. With that piece of wool, sew round the edge of work to the beg st leaving the cast on edge open so that the egg can be inserted
13.Stuff the head with a cotton wool ball, sew around the neck and gather in
14.Sew 2 eyes with fine black wool and stick or sew a small diamond shaped piece of orange felt for the beak. Try a few beaks to get it right.
15.Tie a thin piece of ribbon around the neck in a bow
13. Fill with egg and check it doesn't drop out when holding chick by head. Add extra stitches to tighten if required.

Please send your finished chicks to the below address by March $5^{\text {th }}$ 2018, marking your parcel 'Easter Chicks'. Fundraising Office, Francis House Children's Hospice, 390 Parrswood Rd, Didsbury, Manchester, M20 5NA

## Please complete the tear off slip below and enclose in your parcel of chicks

(Even if you're a regular supporter, data protection law requires us to ensure your details/preferences are up to date)

Name: $\qquad$ Email address: $\qquad$
Address:
Number of chicks enclosed: $\qquad$
How did you hear about the Easter Chick Appeal? $\qquad$
The Easter Chick Appeal is an annual event. Please tick this box to confirm you are happy to receive reminders/details about future Easter Chick Appeals [ ]
Would you like to receive our seasonal newsletter (via post), covering Francis House news/updates? Please tick if yes [ ]
Would you like to be informed of other fundraising events/opportunities via occasional emails? Please tick if yes [ ]

