



# PAPER WEAVING

## YOU WILL NEED:

- Paper in a variety of colours
- Scissors
- Glue
- Additional items for decorating

## METHOD

1. Cut your paper into the desired shape and size. Suggested size: 8cm x 8cm.
2. Fold the paper in half
3. Cut evenly spaced slits (about 2cm apart), starting from the folded edge. Stop about 2cm from the opposite edge. You can draw some guide lines to help younger children cut along.
4. Carefully unfold your paper.
5. Cut your another piece of paper into strips. These will need to be slightly longer than your first piece of paper to allow for gluing. Suggested size: 2cm wide and 10cm long.
6. Start to weave - take one paper strip and weave it through the slits, going over and under the slits.
7. Move the woven strip to the very top and start with the next strip. Weave the second strip in an opposite pattern as the first strip. For example, if your first strip went over and then under the slits, the second strip should go under and then over the slits.
8. Continue to weave each strip, remembering to change the pattern. Then carefully flip the paper over so that the back is now facing up. Apply glue at the ends of each paper strip and fold over.
9. Now you can decorate it!

