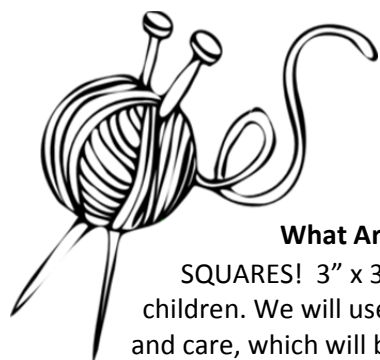


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# Knit-A-Thon!

## What Are We Knitting?

SQUARES! 3" x 3" squares, to be exact, which when joined will transform into cute little lovies for children. We will use wool yarn in natural earth tones to create the squares, to create gifts made with love and care, which will be donated to organizations that support grieving children and families.

## How Does It Work?

Get sponsored, and get knitting! Adults may solicit sponsorships *per square of work completed*, or flat rate sponsorship (participation). WSP students may ask friends and family to sponsor their *participation*.

## When Is It?

Official Kickoff: Friday, October 2

Pick up supplies at the pop-up tables that afternoon, or before the 7 p.m. community talk in Hagens Hall.

"CAST OFF" Party: Saturday, November 7

Participants can finish their work, share a snack, help join our squares and create our finished lovies, which will be donated to local chapters of the Nation Alliance for Grieving Children.

## Why Are We Doing This?

Proceeds from the sponsorships, as well as the work itself, support the new social harmony initiative at our school, building and strengthening our community as well as the larger community. Our finished products will be donated in memory of Matan Gavriel Kalif, the child of a school family who passed this summer.

## How Can I Get Involved?

Help your student to knit squares and/or collect participation pledges. **OR** solicit pledges for your own work! No knitters in the family? Contact Brenda Behrend at [brenbehrend@yahoo.com](mailto:brenbehrend@yahoo.com) to connect with a participant who will knit on your behalf.

## Do I Have to Attend the "Cast Off" Event?

No. While we would love to have your presence at the event, you are welcome to drop off your completed work, pledge forms and money to the WSP front office prior to November 7.

## Any More Specifics?

Yarn should be *worsted weight* wool. We will knit 3" x 3" knit (garter stitch) squares. Cast on 12 stitches with a US 8 needle and knit about 24 rows (12 ridges). (Leave a 12" tail for sewing up later!) It's OK to go up or down a needle size if you knit tightly or loosely. This should make a square; fold into a triangle to make sure!

## Can Children Participate? Can They Attend the CAST OFF Event?

ABSOLUTELY! Kids should and are encouraged to participate! This is a great opportunity for your WSP student to talk about what they learn in handwork and to practice knitting skills.

## Why Waldorf Handwork?

Children are traditionally taught to knit in the first grade as part of the handwork curriculum in Waldorf schools worldwide. Handwork promotes capacities for thinking, problem solving, concentration, and patience. The children use their hands to create meaningful and beautiful projects made from natural sources, building confidence in their abilities, strengthening the will, and building a sense of accomplishment.