1. Photocopy the pompom template (overleaf) to the size you would like to make your Baby Woolly and cut out x 2 from a piece of cardboard. Cut across the template as shown by the dotted line as you will find it easier to wrap the wool around by using this slit rather than the central hole.

2. Wrap the wool around the rings, keep wrapping until the hole in the middle is very tight.

3. Cut through the wool around the edge of the ring, a layer at a time, until you meet the cardboard rings underneath.

4. Pass a length of wool in between the two cardboard rings. Tie it tightly around all the wool at the centre. Now remove the cardboard rings by tearing through them and reveal your pompom.

5. Twist the end of two pipe cleaners to make the hands.

6. Twist the end of two pipe cleaners to make the feet.

7. Push the pipe cleaners into the pompom ball to position the arms and legs.

8. Paint the beads with some nail varnish – preferably red!

9. Push the beads onto the wooden sticks to make Baby Woolly’s knitting needles and secure these in the grip of his pipe cleaner hands.

10. Stick on the googly eyes.

11. Thread a length of wool and pass it through the centre of the pompom from bottom to top. Then rethread the loose end at the bottom and pass it through again so that you have two strands of wool coming out of the top of the pompom. Tie the threads together to make a hanging loop for your Baby Woolly and put him somewhere where he’ll make you smile!
Template for pom-pom

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