Weaving with Paper: Let’s make a chequerboard pattern!

We need:

- Paper loom, made from A4 white card (see Weaving with Paper: Let’s make a paper loom)
- Coloured paper strips, made from A4 coloured card/paper
- White finishing off strip, made from A4 white card.
- Scissors
- Glue stick

Let’s begin:

1. Take the loom you have made and turn it over so any pencil marks are underneath. Weave a strip of coloured paper going under and over the vertical strips. Push the strip up so there is no gap above it.
2. Take a second strip of coloured paper. This time weave over and under the vertical strip. Push the strip up so there is no gap above it.

3. Repeat step 1.

4. Repeat step 2. Continue until you have a chequerboard pattern.

To finish off:

5. Push all the strips together to reduce the gaps. Glue the white strip along the bottom and trim off the bottom of the vertical strips.
6. Tuck the yellow flaps at the sides underneath. Turn over and glue them down. This picture shows the back.

7. Turn over again to see the front of your finished pattern.

Here are some different patterns to try. Why not create your own design?