Weaving with Paper: Let’s make a flower design!

We need:
• Your design on squared paper
• Paper loom made from A4 white card (see Weaving with Paper: Let’s make a loom!)
• Coloured paper strips made from A4 coloured card/paper
• White finishing off strip made from A4 white card.
• Felt tip pen (for the centre of the flower)
• Scissors
• Glue stick

Let’s begin:

1. Take the loom you have made and turn it over so any pencil marks are underneath. Look very carefully at the design and especially at the first row. Decide where the central line of the flower will be. For the first row only one part of the horizontal strip will be visible. Thread the first strip. Push the strip up so there is no gap above it.
2. Weave a second strip of coloured paper. Push the strip up so there is no gap above it.

3. Follow the pattern. Continue to weave each strip in turn. Remember to push each strip up so there are no gaps.
4. Push all the strips together to reduce the gaps. Turn over and glue down any loose ends.

5. Turn back. Colour the centre of the flower using a felt tip pen.

6. Glue the white strip along the bottom and trim off the vertical strips.

7. This is what your picture will look like from the back.
Here’s another flower pattern to try:
Why not create a pattern of your own? Draw it on squared paper first.
Remember that you can only weave one colour on each row.