

SPRINGY RABBITS

These rabbits are cute and quite easy to make. Perfect for this Chinese New Year, which celebrates the year of the rabbit. But could easily be used for Easter as well.

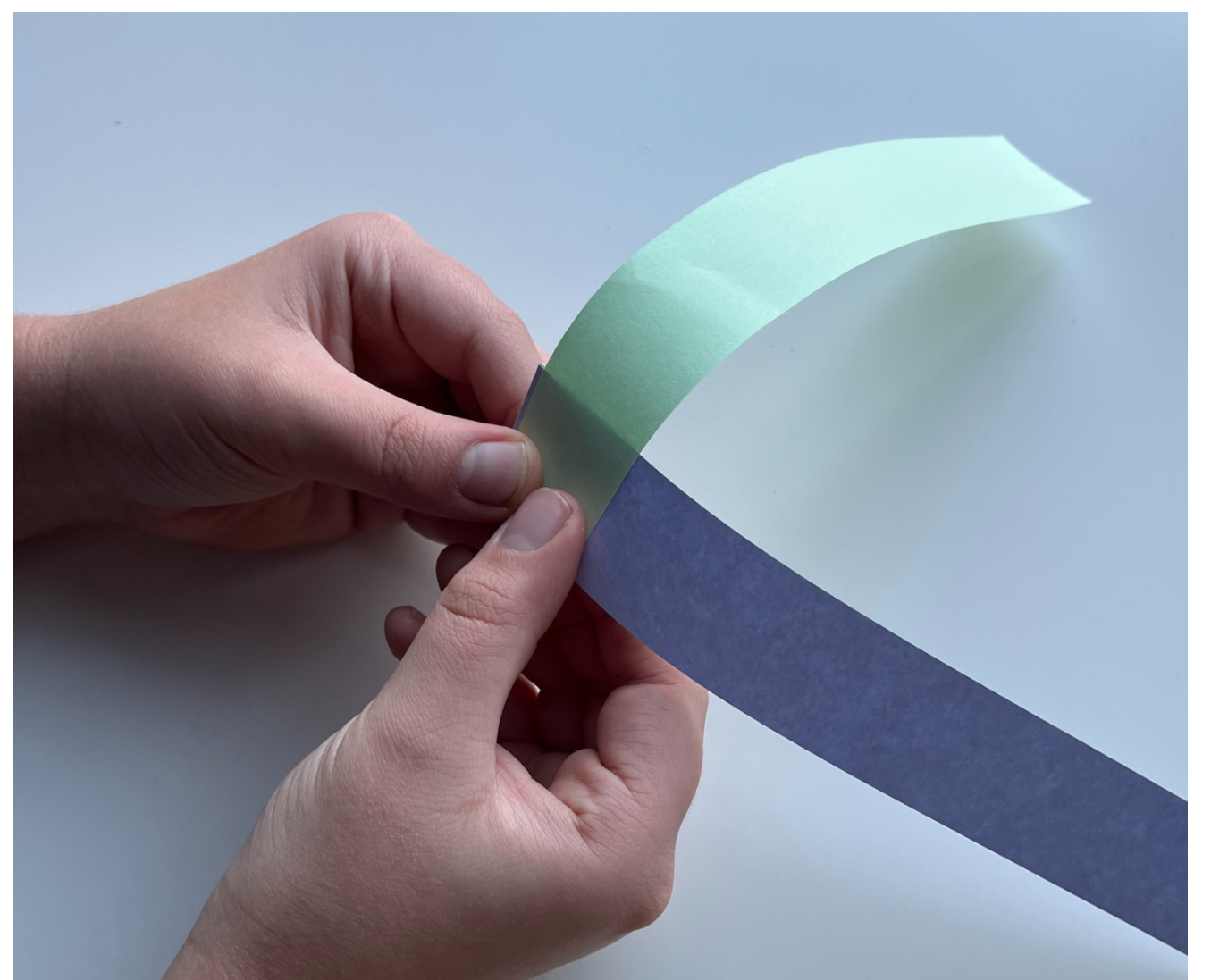


Materials...

coloured paper (2 colours per rabbit)
ruler
coloured pencils
scissors
glue
googly eyes (optional)

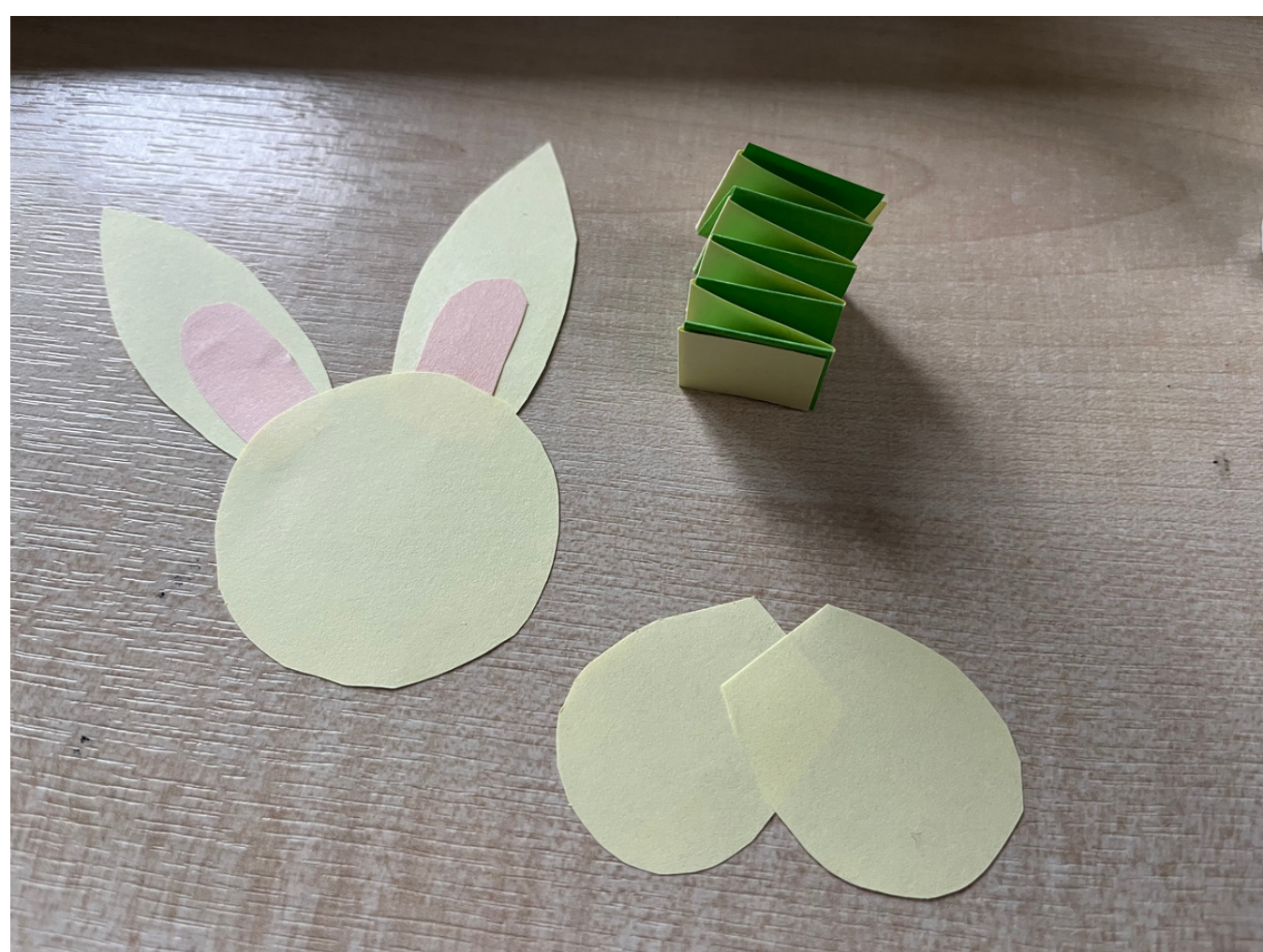
Method

1. Cut two strips of coloured paper, 3cm wide and as long as a sheet of A4.
2. Lay the strips at 90 degrees and glue the ends together.





3. Fold the bottom strip over the top and make a crease, repeat with the other strip to make a concertina. When you get to the end of the strips, glue the last fold down and cut off any excess.



4. For the rabbit's head, cut out a circle approx 4.5cm in diameter and two large ears in the same colour. Then cut out two smaller ears in the other colour. Glue the smaller ears on top of the big ears, then glue them on the top of the head. Either stick on googly eyes and draw the rest of the face, or draw the whole thing. NB. We found that the googly eyes made the head a bit heavy, so the rabbits didn't stand up as well.

5. Draw two fat oval shapes for the rabbits back paws. Stick them to the bottom of the concertina, and draw on the rabbit's claws.

6. Finally glue the head onto the top of the concertina – the ears tend to make the head tip back so glue it a bit further forward to make it balance. Now you have a springy bunny!



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