Y2 Maths Everywhere – Paper cutting symmetry

Provide children with some paper squares.
Challenge them to fold their shapes in half and to look at the shapes of the halves made.
Fold the paper in half again and show children the folded edge.

Challenge children to cut a shape that leaves a square/triangle/rectangular hole when we unfold this paper.

Repeat making different cuts with the paper folded into quarters.
Look for symmetrical patterns that have been created.

Make paper snowflakes by folding a circular piece of paper in half three times.
Find some examples of symmetry around the home or in the garden.

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