

# Delightful December

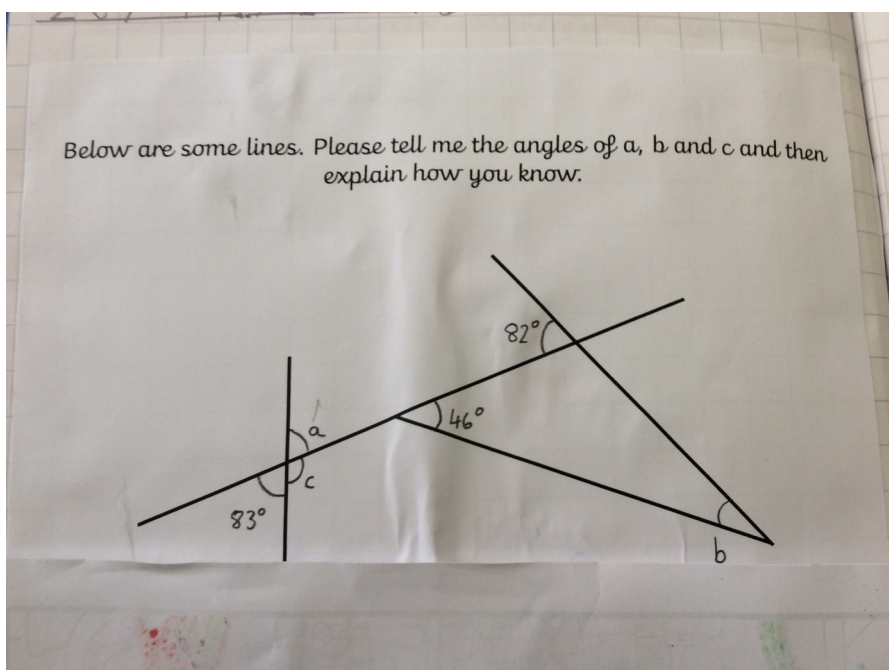
## The Curriculum Newsletter for Whimble Primary

### Welcome

This is the fourth edition of our new curriculum newsletter, and the final one for 2018. Find out what the children have been up to through the month of December.

### The Joy of Art and Maths

Willow Class have been busy taking some responsibility for their own learning over the past few weeks and have had the opportunity to create some projects based on their interests. Jemima and Olivia decided to explore different ways of creating artwork, particularly with paints, and used the common theme of 'believe, achieve, succeed' within their work.



We have also been working very hard in maths to develop our reasoning skills (the ability to explain our thoughts). This week we have been looking at angles and how we can use what we know to find the missing ones.

Would you be able to find a, b and c? If not, have a chat to some of the Year Six children and they might be able to help!



## Fun in Elm

December activities in Elm, involved glitter, salt-dough, paint as well as singing and story telling.







## 'A Miracle in Town'

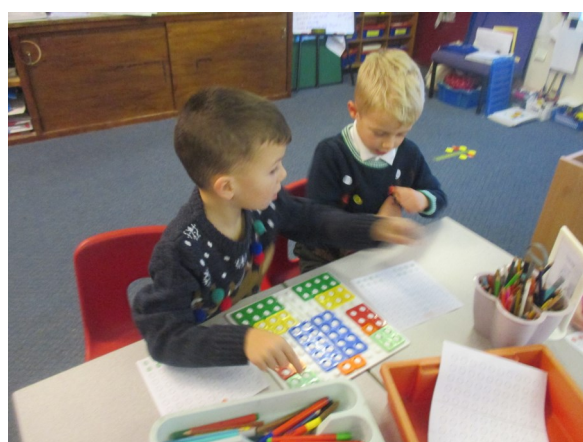
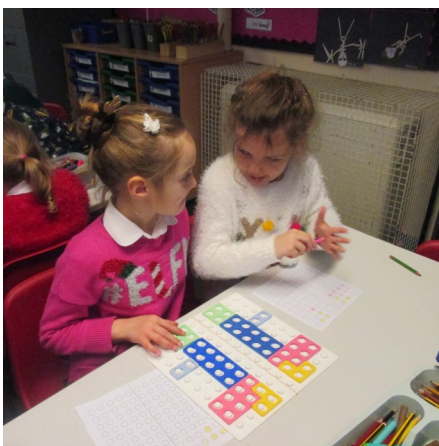
Despite fighting both the weather and various childhood ailments most of our younger children managed to put on a fantastic performance which put the Christmas spirit into Christmas. Here are a few more photos.





## Ash Class

In maths children have been exploring shapes and symmetry.



We have also made apple cake and courgette cake linked to healthy eating.

The Year 1 and 2 children all visited the Heritage Centre to find out more about the history of the village. They discovered all sorts of things including that Whimpey may be an early Roman settlement, all about Whiteways Cider and that Muffin the Mule was made here in Whimpey, just to name a few.





## All Things Christmas in Ash

From cards to stockings the children have been busy making and sewing.





### Getting into the festive spirit

Oak have been working hard to design and create their own Christmas cards. The children were given some ideas of what they could create, however they worked really hard to make their cards unique and special.

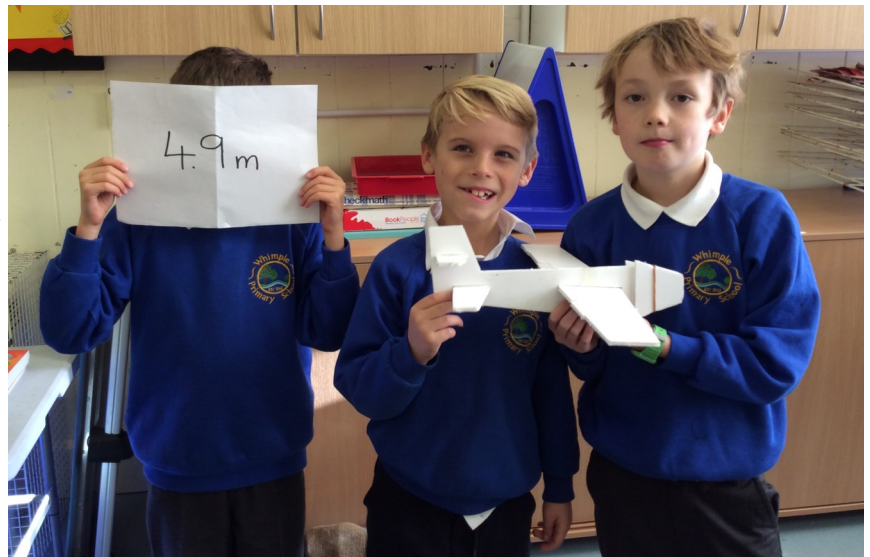


### Glider Challenge

Beech Class having accepted the Royal Air Force museum glider challenge, have been busy making cardboard prototypes, then polystyrene final models. Each group then flew their glider three times from a launcher (a piece of guttering and strong elastic). Many designs were successful and the class learnt a lot about the design process and aerodynamics. Henry, Theo and Arlo were the winning team, with the longest flight of 5.3m and will now enter the regional rounds of this national competition.

One of the modifications made was adjusting the wing span so the air resistance would help the lift when it takes off.

A problem some had was that because it's Christmas the hall was decorated and their gliders crashed into one of the hanging decorations, which was not planned! One of the teams commented, "It was very funny when our plane crashed but it was also very annoying".



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