Dear Parents,

I cannot believe we are entering another Lockdown, but I know we will all pull through it together.

Here is your child's Learning Pack. There should be more than enough to keep you busy with your child, and I would suggest you do 30 minutes of really focused work in the morning, and 30 minutes in the afternoon. Please work at your own pace, there is no expectation, only that you and your child remain safe and happy through this strange period of time ...

In the Pack there is a Talk 4 Writing project, including 'Talk 4 Writing Notes for Parents', and a story entitled 'Snow Friends.' There are also separate sheets to help and accompany the project, such as images to develop vocabulary, and Snowman Sequencing.

In the Pack you will also find the remaining phonics sheets that the children would have learnt in school this term, and which I would have sent home for practice in their 'Sounds Book.' Please work through these sheets at your own pace, moving on when you feel your child has learnt each sound. Please also continue to practice the sounds we covered last term.

Numeracy this term covers the numbers 5 to 10, so I have included some counting worksheets, and some sheets that contain more practical activities and ideas. There is also some work on patterns, and number bonds to 5. We would also be looking at length and height, so if possible, please get your tape measures out and do some practical measuring and comparisons of things around your house and garden. The children should really enjoy this!

A lot of the things we do in Reception involve practical activities, so please don't fret over worksheets during Lockdown, your child will benefit just as much from making a cake with you, measuring out the ingredients, pouring out the mixture in to equal measurements in paper cases, etc. You can include numeracy in to most moments, throw a hula hoop on the grass and count the daisies, or take turns to use the hoop to see who can do the most rotations! The most important thing is that no one feels stressed, neither child nor parent, and that we all return to school happy and healthy.

I will miss all the children greatly, and truly hope that everyone stays safe. This will all be over soon.

With all best wishes,

Miss Davies.