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## **Update on Annija**

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am sending my warm greetings, best wishes and huge thanks for your friendship from SOS Children's village Valmiera! Is the view through your window as peaceful and colourful as it is through the window of a SOS family house today? There are some evergreen bushes

growing by the fence. A neat flowerbed is by the walkway, with bright flowers already in full blossom. I see a fruit tree further away, and there is also a small white greenhouse nearby with the first seedlings.

A few younger children are playing in the village playground. A boy is climbing up the ladders and ropes. He is showing up some tricks to three other children who are sitting in the nest swing and laughing



loudly. A few older ones are on their bicycles and roller-skates. They are on their way to the city skatepark. Two girls are playing with a ginger cat. And - can I smell the pancakes?

This is a usual weekend in the village. It is a safe, peaceful and colourful day for the children. I just want you to know how much we appreciate your help and support, which makes it all possible. Thank you so much for your care! Your help is important and very necessary!

## The life of the SOS family

The life of 'Frēzijas' family is as active as before. When I talk to SOS mom, her oldest son and youngest daughter are getting ready for shopping. 'Do not forget your helmets,' she reminds. The boy will ride his bicycle while the girl will follow him on her scooter. 'They are going to the near by shop to get some potatoes. Their sister has decided to bake potato pancakes today. Six of us can eat a lot of pancakes,' SOS mom smiles.



The big family together

In June, the school's holidays have already started, but children are quite busy. There are still activities of hobby groups going on. Some interesting activities also take place in the village. 'We had a big garden party, it was really nice,' remembers one of the sisters. And the children have good time with their friends, too.