

# Endija is developing strong leadership skills in the inspiring atmosphere of Broom Valley Community School



Maris and Elina live in Whiston in Rotherham with their daughter, Endija, aged 11, and son, Alex, aged seven.

## Public speaking

Maris and Elina are pleased with how confident Endija has become and how well she is doing at school, both academically and socially. Maris says: "We are very proud of Endija and how good she is at English now. When she started at the age of four in Foundation at Broom Valley Community School, she couldn't speak English because we speak Latvian at home. We are amazed at how she enjoys speaking in the pupil parliament now and listening to the opinions of other pupils. Endija announces new things they are going to be doing in school and takes her role in the pupil parliament seriously."

## Good interviewer

The family used to live near Broom Valley but have moved some distance away and Endija's younger brother attends another school. "Endija didn't want to move schools and was doing so well we were happy for her to continue at Broom Valley," Maris says. "She now even takes part in job interviews when new staff apply to the school and puts questions to the people applying. She asks them what they think of the school and what they would do in certain situations that could arise. She enjoys having some input into who the school

choose to employ and is proud to contribute to selecting the staff who will be working with the children."

## Warm welcome

"Endija says she loves all the teachers and is always confident they will help everyone and never leave any problems unsolved. As parents, it is good to know she is being looked after well at school. We have always thought the staff good at communicating with us and have been made to feel very welcome when we have visited the school. We love the way Endija has blossomed while she has been there and has become a high achiever academically and a confident public speaker, and we are glad she supports other children and wants to help her school."

## Children say

Endija says: "I love my school and I am pleased we have such good teachers. We are like one big family and all look out for each other."



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