

Dear Parents:

Hope you and your children are enjoying Balvihar activities so far. As always feel free to give us your valuable feedback in person or via our website. I would like to update you on a few things in this newsletter.

1. School closures: remember to check our website by **noon** of Sunday for closure due to bad weather. This is our only way of communication so call a few of your Balvihar friends in the neighborhood to make sure they are aware of school closure.
2. Elections for board positions: There are 2 vacancies on the board for parent representatives. The board will be voting to elect them in January. Please send in your nominations to joshi_arundhati@yahoo.com by December 15th. The candidate must be a Balvihar member for at least one year for being considered for this post and must not be a teacher or an officer at present. Jayesh Naik is parent representative on the board. Feel free to call or email him if you have any questions about this position.
3. Annual Day update: Due to unavailability of venue the annual day date has been moved to **May 10th 2008**. We are actively looking into other possible venues so we can have annual day as previously scheduled on April 26th. If you think you can help with that task please let me know. This year we have changed the annual day format based on the feedback from parents and teachers. This year Culture classes will get a chance to perform during annual day. Language classes will be performing next year. Stay tuned for more information about this on our website.
4. Yoga at Balvihar: Parents attendance is **mandatory** for **Culture M- 3** and **strongly suggested** for other yoga classes. Many schools and employers are incorporating Yoga in their routine to deal with daily stresses and improve health. Please take advantage of our enthusiastic and experienced yoga teachers and attend yoga sessions.
5. Dismissal procedure: In order to avoid overcrowding and for the safety of our children please follow the recommended guidelines for dismissal. Parents for culture M- culture 3 can wait at the far end of

the Chapel (prayer room) near the respective classrooms and the rest can wait outside the chapel. Please keep the exit way clear.

6. Bylaws amendment: The board of directors will be voting on the suggested amendments of our existing by-laws on Sunday 12/16/07. Once the amendment is complete bylaws will be available for your review.
7. Reimbursement procedure reminder: If you have spent any money on behalf of Balvihar please make sure you get the expense receipt approved by event leads or by me before submitting it to the treasurer.