

DEEPOTSAV'2025	
Date: 12/10/25 & 13/10/25	Time/ Duration: 3 slots (2 ½ hrs each)
Venue: Quadrangle	No. of Participants: Grade 1 & 2- 1534 parents and students +54 Teachers Grades 3 to 5 - 926 Students + 53 Teachers Grade 6 to 12- 1368 Students + 78 Teachers
Objectives: ● To celebrate the spirit of Deepawali by fostering joy, unity, and cultural appreciation among students and staff. ● To promote understanding of Indian traditions and the significance of light over darkness, good over evil, and knowledge over ignorance. ● To encourage creativity and teamwork through art, music, dance, and other festive activities.	
Event Details: Deepotsav was celebrated with great enthusiasm at New Horizon Gurukul on the 12th and 13th of October, organised in three separate slots to ensure active participation from all grades. The celebration commenced with Grades 1 and 2 students accompanied by their parents on 12th October from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM. On 13th October, Grades 3 to 5 students participated between 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM followed by the Grades 6 to 12 celebration in the evening from 4:00 PM to 6:30 PM. The event began with the traditional welcome of students and parents with aarti and teeka, followed by registration and distribution of coupons for the various game stalls. The lighting of the ceremonial lamp by the dignitaries marked the auspicious beginning of the celebration. The Akhand Diyas were lit by parents and council members, symbolising the triumph of light over darkness. This was followed by soulful invocation songs and a melodious rendition of the Ram Stuti, setting a divine tone for the day. Students enthusiastically participated in the game stalls and received gifts for their efforts. They also enjoyed a variety of scrumptious delicacies served at the food stalls. The vibrant atmosphere was further enlivened by students dancing joyfully to the beats of the DJ, adding to the festive spirit. The evening slot concluded on a grand note with a mesmerising performance by the teachers for the students, followed by a spectacular fireworks display enjoyed by both students and teachers, bringing the two-day celebration to a delightful close.	

Exit Interview Conducted by Principal- Mr. Ravishankar	Date: 15.10.25
Attended by: Coordinators- Dr. Gitanjali, Ms. Shilpa and Ms. Jagriti Event Coordinator- Ms. Sukanya Admin Head- Ms. Poornima Sports HoD- Mr. Naveen Babu	
General Observation: ➤ Music and dance performances were well executed. ➤ Teachers were on welcoming and registration duty on time. ➤ The morning slots were very hot and humid. ➤ The gifts for the game winners were thoughtfully chosen, practical, and greatly appreciated by all. ➤ The games conducted by Ms.Chaitra were age-appropriate and engaging. ➤ A total of ₹14,000 was generated from the additional coupons purchased by parents.	
Concerns, if any: ➤ The morning slot was very hot and humid, due to which students were unable to fully enjoy the celebration. ➤ The lighting of Akhand Diyas could have been more systematic. ➤ The game stalls were closed before the DJ session began, resulting in children not getting sufficient time to participate in the games. ➤ The quality of food at some stalls did not meet expectations and requires attention for future events. ➤ Dispersal was not well streamlined, as many parents arrived simultaneously, causing congestion and a lack of smooth movement. ➤ Gifts for the winners should be planned and arranged in advance to avoid last-minute delays. ➤ A few students did not adhere to the dress code and were not in proper ethnic attire.	
Solutions: ➤ For morning slots, proper shamiyanas or coverings should be arranged to provide adequate shade and ensure the comfort of students and parents. ➤ Instead of traditional lamp lighting, LED lights may be used, which can be switched on by the dignitaries to mark the inauguration. ➤ The lighting of Akhand Diyas should be done simultaneously; hence, sufficient matchboxes and arrangements must be provided in advance.	

- Strict adherence to the ethnic dress code should be ensured, particularly for Grades 8 to 12. Students should not be permitted if not dressed appropriately.
- Classrooms on the ground floor should be allotted for dispersal to facilitate smooth and safe movement.
- Parent entry and exit during dispersal should be routed through the lobby to maintain order.
- A proper diary note and consent form should be issued to parents beforehand, clearly mentioning the student's attendance confirmation, mode of dispersal, and authorised person for pickup.
- Barricades should be placed to ensure a single-line entry and avoid crowding.
- Staff duties should be assigned in every corridor to monitor student movement and maintain discipline.
- The drop time for the celebration should be extended by 30 minutes after the reporting time to allow smoother entry and preparation.
- Lobby decoration can be kept minimal; only a photograph of Lord Ram can be placed.
- Lakshmi Pooja must be conducted in one section of the quadrangle to mark the festival's essence.
- Students misbehaving during the academic year should not be permitted to participate in school events for the remainder of that year.
- The list of songs to be played should be shared with the DJ well in advance to ensure smooth coordination and appropriate song selection.



