**House System Policy**

*(Ratified by School Council: May 2016)*

**PURPOSE:**

The house system at Glen Waverley Primary School is used to encourage students to work together as a group. It aims to build team spirit and a sense of belonging within our learning community.

**GUIDELINES:**

- The house system is used for the organisation of school sports and classroom points system.
- The school operates a four house system, with each house named after local explorers and allocated a colour.
- Upon enrolment at the school students are allocated to a house for the duration of their schooling at Glen Waverley Primary School and will remain in this house.
- The numbers of students allocated to each house is kept as equal as possible, with siblings being allocated to the same house.
- Each house will have an elected male and female captain and vice-captain.
- A house captain cannot hold the position of school captain and may only be in the position for the period of one year.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

- House Captains are responsible for the organisation of students for various school functions, e.g. twilight sports, house points, lunchtime sports.
- The four houses and their associated colours are:
  - Fawkner - Red
  - Hume - Green
  - Latrobe - Yellow
  - Mitchell - Blue
- Students from the same family will be in the same house.
- Teachers are allocated to a house in order to assist the House Captains in leading of house events and are impartial members of the house.
- House Captains are elected in accordance to the Student Leadership Policy

**RELATED POLICIES:**

Student Leadership Policy

Student Engagement and Wellbeing Policy

**POLICY EVALUATION:**

Evaluation will be conducted every two years by the Policy Review (Education) Sub Committee of the School Council.

**DUE DATE FOR REVIEW:**

Due for review in May 2018.