

## House System Policy

*(Ratified by School Council: May 2020)*

### **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.
- 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
- House Captains will collect each class' house points and allocate points to each house weekly
  - 4 Points – winning house
  - 3 Points – second place
  - 2 Points- third place
  - 1 point – last placing house
- The above points will be announced at assembly
- At the end of the year a perpetual trophy will be awarded to the house with the highest points.

### **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 2022.