To Parents/Guardians, for September 2018 to June 2019 school year:

GS CARE, a Before and After School care program, is operating in six Catholic Elementary schools in Guelph:

Sacred Heart, 125 Huron St.
St. Ignatius, 251 Colonial Dr.
St. John, 63 Victoria Rd. North
St. Paul, 182 Clairfields Dr. East
St. Francis, 287 Imperial Rd. South
St. Patrick, 391 Victoria Rd. North

and two in Wellington County:

Sacred Heart, 5146 Wellington Road 27, Rockwood
St. John Brebeuf, 30 Millwood Rd., Erin

All operations are licensed by the Ministry of Education and led by RECE's (Registered Early Childhood Educators) and/or OCT's (Ontario Certified Teachers).

GS CARE’s objective is to assist families by providing a safe, high quality and reliable school-age care service. GS CARE will focus on creating an environment that fully supports intellectual growth and social, emotional and physical skills development through daily programming.

Please be aware that the program is only for students in Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6.

If you would like to inquire about space availability please call 519-240-0864 or 519-716-6622 or simply send an e-mail to nanette@gs-care.com or noma@gs-care.com.

Hours of operation

Monday to Friday (except PD days, see below) Closed on Statutory holidays and School Breaks.

7:30am – 8:45am
3:15pm – 6:00pm

PD (Professional Development) / PA days - program operates at two sites only – please call or email for details

7:30am – 5:00pm

A few highlights of our programs are:

(a) Scheduled quiet/homework time, with assistance from the supervising teachers if needed,
(b) At least 30 minutes of scheduled indoor or outdoor sport activity. e.g. floor hockey, indoor/outdoor soccer, baseball, basketball, etc.
(c) Off property trips, such as visits to the recreation center, the museum and local parks during PD days.
(d) Many indoor classroom activities including crafts, sensory, reading, drama, science etc.
Fees

Monthly fees for September 2018 to June 2019 (Kindergarten to Grade 6):

Full-time – 5 days a week
Before and after school  - $392.00 per month
Before school only  - $161.00 per month
After school only  - $290.00 per month

Part-time – any schedule less than 5 days a week (if available)
Before and after school  - $23.40 per day
Before school only  - $11.20 per day
After school only  - $19.30 per day

PD Day: $43.00 per day (payable in advance)

Fee subsidy is available to families that qualify. You may contact Wellington County Early Years Division to determine whether you qualify for subsidy. The office is located at 129 Wyndham St. N. Guelph, ON. N1H 4E9 or call 519-837-3620 x3800 (toll-free 1-800-265-7294) for an appointment.

Fee payment
 Provide GS CARE with post dated cheques for the full school year, dated the first day of each month.

For all families (new and returning) who are registering for September, 10 post-dated cheques must be received by March 30th of each year, dated the first of each month, to guarantee your space in the program. For new families, a $200 deposit cheque dated for immediate deposit must also be provided by March 30th. The cheques will be returned if GS CARE is notified of withdrawal by July 15th, and deposit fee refunded, otherwise the September cheque and/or deposit will be used for September fees, regardless of whether your child attends or not.

If you are offered a space in a GS CARE program, we must have the following before your child can start:
* $200 deposit (returnable if 30 days notice of withdrawal is given when your child leaves our program)
* Fully completed Enrollment forms
* Postdated cheques for the full school year.

I hope the above information will answer all your questions, if not, please do not hesitate to send a message by e-mail to noma@gs-care.com or call 519-716-6622. Alternately contact Nanette O’Sullivan, Programs Manager, nanette@gs-care.com or call 519-240-0864.

Sincerely,
Nomalanga (Noma) Vales
Owner/Operator