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## The Benefits of Home-based Early Childhood Education

- Small group size with a maximum of four children under six, never more than two children under two. Individual educational programmes are developed for each child.
- Children can develop responsive and reciprocal relationships with one significant other, particularly beneficial for children under two.
- Family activities such as shopping, library visits, and trips to the park provide valuable learning experiences for children.
- The child's own routines are able to be carried out in the educator's home.
- Education and care is provided in a predictable, calm and familiar environment that enables children to build trust.
- Flexibility of hours—care can be arranged to suit parent's needs.
- Regular visits from co-ordinators support the educator, child and family.
- WINZ subsidies are available to those who are eligible.

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