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Best in Queensland Jordan's golden ticket

Sunshine Coast Grammar School student Jordan Horne has much to celebrate, achieving the highest result in Queensland for her Trinity College London, Grade Three Examination in Speech, and Drama.

Jordan began her first Speech and Drama lessons with specialist teacher Katrina Harvey at Grammar in 2016. With a natural talent, Jordan undertook her first Speech and Drama examination in November, skipping the first few levels and completing a Grade Three level where she received a High Distinction.

The Australian Music Examinations Board and Trinity College London are the most common examination boards for music, speech, and drama in Australia. Recognised worldwide, Trinity College London, examines thousands of candidates every year in music, drama, and speech around the world.

The Grade Three Examination required Jordan to perform four different Speech and Drama pieces including; a monologue, a poem, a sight-reading extract from a novel and an improvisation relating to one of the prepared pieces. Jordan's final assessment required a discussion with the examiner where she was asked to demonstrate her understanding of the meaning and mood of the prepared pieces, and the use of pauses and their emphasis in the work she presented.

"Jordan has a natural talent for Speech and Drama and I have seen enormous growth in the twelve months since we commenced lessons. I am incredibly proud and excited for Jordan as she thoroughly deserves this recognition," said Ms Katrina Harvey, Sunshine Coast Grammar School Speech and Drama Tutor.

"Jordan loves a challenge. She is always vocally and physically engaged with the material she presents. She is dynamic, creative and displays excellent character engagement in all her performances."

Recognised for her outstanding achievement in Speech and Drama, Jordan has now been invited to attend the Annual Barbara Sisley Awards, which are organised by the Communication, Speech and Performance Teachers Inc. Born in London, Sisley became one of the first professional instructors in Speech and Drama in Brisbane in 1916, and was also well known on the Australian stage. Jordan has been invited to perform her Veruca Salt monologue from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.

The 71st Barbara Sisley Awards will take place in Brisbane on May 27, 2017 at Parliament House.

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