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PRIZE INCENTIVE: Child care worker Sarah Williams with little Gabrielle at Genesis Preschool, Bray Park.

Funds further study options

YEARS ago teenagers had to finish high school before starting tertiary study.

Vocational education and training has changed all that and former Genesis Christian College student Sarah Williams is thankful.

Last month the 18-year-old childcare worker from Bray Park won a \$2000 Federal Government prize for vocational students after finishing her Certificate III in early childhood education while still at school.

The Australian Vocational

Student Prize (AVSP) is the vocational equivalent of the Australian Student Prize for academic achievement.

After finishing year 12 and her Certificate III last year, Ms Williams began work at Little Genesis Early Learning Centre.

The \$2000 prizemoney will go towards further early childhood study.

“As a child I loved playing teachers and babies and ever since then I always wanted to work with children,” she said.