It did not take long for the girls from the School to rival both the boys and their counterparts in other parts of Australia in academic endeavours. From 1878 until 1909 students from Brisbane Girls Grammar School won the *Senior Fairfax Prize* thirteen times and the *Junior Fairfax Prize* six times. These Fairfax Prizes were awarded by the University of Sydney to the “greatest proficients” among the female candidates at the New South Wales Senior and Junior Public Examinations. These examinations were open to candidates from other Australian states and were sat by our students until the opening of the University of Queensland.

*The Lady Lilley Gold Medal* donated by Sir Charles Lilley and first awarded in 1883 to Margaret Kerr, continues to be the highest academic award in the School and acknowledges the School’s tradition for excellence.

Well over one thousand young women are now enrolled at Brisbane Girls Grammar School, which continues to provide a platform for young women to contribute confidently to their world with wisdom, imagination and integrity.

*VI Form - circa 1911*