

FROM THE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Twelve months ago, I reported in the December 2014 edition of *Frappe Fort* that the Council had approved the visionary Lovell Chen Master Plan for the College. A year on, much has happened and the project is about to become a reality.

After a tender process in November, Contract Control was selected as the builder by the Council and the building works will commence in December. The construction of the buildings will take 15 months, with the anticipated completion date in February 2017. I trust you will enjoy reading more about this exciting project in this edition of *Frappe Fort*.

On behalf of the Council I am delighted to acknowledge two very special awards received by members of the UC Community. Alumna (1946-1949) and benefactor, Dr Margaret Garson was recently awarded a Doctor of Medical Science at the Melbourne Brain Centre, in recognition of her outstanding contribution to medical research and teaching, as detailed in this edition of *Frappe Fort*. Professor Chris Wallace-Crabbe is a Governor of the College who has had many involvements in College life over the years, most recently in

Creative Writing, Art and Design Week. One of Australia's great poets, Chris was recently awarded the Melbourne Prize for Literature and we congratulate him on yet another significant achievement.

The University College community was saddened by the passing of alumna and benefactor, Lesley 'Bunty' Moreton (1943-1944) in June. In October we mourned the passing of alumna, Dr Margaret Williams-Weir (1956-1959). As the first Aboriginal student to graduate from an Australian University, Margaret went on to enjoy an eminent career in education and the Navy in Australia and Canada. We were fortunate to reunite with Dr Williams-Weir and her husband Bill in 2014 when she gave the address at Scholars Dinner.

In closing, I thank my colleagues on Council for their voluntary work and commitment to the College. It has been a busy year with much discussion and



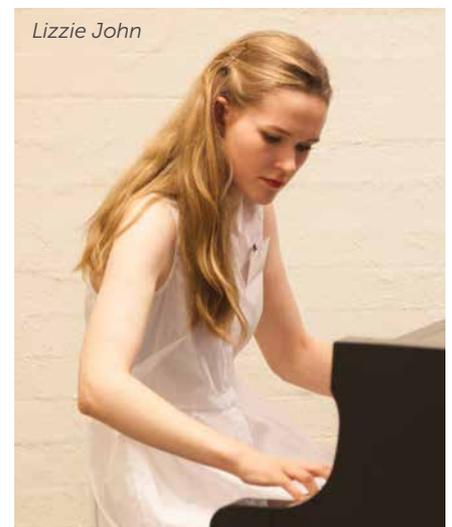
deliberation to ensure the College is well positioned for the future. Important decisions have been made which has seen the UC 2017 project become a reality. The contribution of our retiring 2015 student members Mr David Simpson and Ms Mercedes Stewart has also been appreciated.

Finally on behalf of the College Council, I wish to record my appreciation to the Head, her management team and staff for their dedication, efforts and outcomes achieved over the past year. It is encouraging to know that the work we do today will secure the future for our College tomorrow. I extend my best wishes to all of our UC community as the year comes to an end and look forward to sharing further details with you of the major developments ahead in 2016.

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