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This year she has studied Digital Technology and Design, Economics, Mathematics with Calculus, English and Chinese and has again excelled with High Distinction Awards in almost all of these and has also been awarded the Senior Prize for Business. She has already gained an Excellence Endorsement for Level 3. Her goal is to study for a Bachelor of Commerce, with a view to entering the field of Finance.

Ngan has made a substantial impact in the time she has been here. Without exception her teachers refer to her "significant and impressive work ethic" and the "positive approach she brings to her studies". She is quietly humble in her manner, has consistently displayed a maturity beyond her years and is every bit as talented in the creative subjects as she is in the academic. Her teachers repeatedly acknowledge her exceptional ability and as one puts it, her "quiet demeanour masks the presence of a highly able mind". As a highly competent academic student she takes pride in her work and school, role modelling an ability to take responsibility for her own learning and success. Ngan is reliable, responsible, kind, considerate and just as comfortable talking with her peers as she is with her teachers.

Not content with academic success Ngan has also involved herself in the wider life of the school. She has participated in Taekwondo, has represented Auckland Girls' at the Massey University Business Boot Camp and has served on the International and Mathematics Committees in 2016.

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