Good morning IS201! It's Elly Wu Feng from 851 speaking on behalf of the SEAL Team, on this Motivational Monday.

Abraham Lincoln was elected President of the United States exactly 163 years ago today. Lincoln, who is often recognized as the greatest President of the United States, did not disappoint his followers or citizens. He made important contributions to the development of our country, and his ability to energize and mobilize the country stood out. Despite his success, Lincoln had a difficult childhood. At nine, his mother died, and his parents were uneducated. Lincoln attended school for a year but learned from borrowed books. His early jobs included soldier, storekeeper, and postmaster. Later, Lincoln taught himself law and opened a legal business, gaining the nickname "Honest Abe."

According to Abraham Lincoln, "the best way to predict the future is to create it." This quote can serve as motivation for all of us. Consider yourself ten years from now. Where would you be and what would you be doing? Set goals and work toward them step by step. Remember that if you never pursue your dreams, they will remain just that: dreams.

## Affirmation of the Day-

"I will use my voice to stand up for what's right". Everyone's voice matters just like how every vote counts. Don't be afraid to express that strong inner voice!

## SEAL Team pledge:

We are the Dyker S.E.A.L. Team

Positivity is our dream

We teach it every day

To help others live the optimistic way

We learn to control our emotions and feelings

So, we always have effective social dealings

No stone left unturned; no person left behind

Every member of our team has the power to be kind

We spread kindness to our friends, families, and those who need a smile

When facing hardships and adversity, the S.E.A.L. Team goes the extra mile

