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Good Morning I.S.201! My name is Esther Chen from class 852, and I am here for the Words of Wisdom Wednesday on behalf of the S.E.A.L Team.

Let's start this month by talking about Leonardo da Vinci! Born in 1452 in Vinci, Italy, Leonardo wasn't just an artist, he was a scientist, inventor, engineer, and thinker. Throughout his life, he explored countless ideas, from painting masterpieces like *The Last Supper* and *Mona Lisa* to designing flying machines and studying anatomy.

What's inspiring about Leonardo is that he faced many challenges and failures along the way. Some of his inventions were never built, and some of his ideas were misunderstood by others. Yet he never stopped experimenting, learning, and pushing the limits of what was possible. His curiosity and dedication left a lasting impact on art, science, and innovation. Leonardo once said, "*Learning never exhausts the mind.*" This reminds us that it's okay to try, fail, and try again, each attempt is part of learning and growing.

Like Leonardo da Vinci, today's affirmation is: "I let my curiosity guide me to new discoveries."

Thank you for listening and have a World Changing Wednesday 😊

S.E.A.L. 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

