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Rise and shine, I.S.201! This is William Chen of class 852 speaking to you for today's Motivational Monday on behalf of the S.E.A.L Team!

Happy March everyone! Let's start off this new month by talking about Dr. Seuss! 122 years ago today, Dr. Seuss (or Theodor Seuss Geisel) was born in Springfield, Massachusetts. Starting in the 1930s up to the 1990s, Dr. Seuss published a multitude of children's books that forever revolutionized young literacy. By incorporating rhyming, illustrations, and such, he replaced mundane ideals with imagination that helped keep the youth engaged and develop a love for reading. With pieces like "The Cat in the Hat," "Green Eggs and Ham," and "The Lorax," Dr. Seuss has made a tremendous and long-lasting impact on children's literature. Here's a quote by the man himself, "Today you are you, that is truer than true. There is no one alive who is youer than you." This quote highlights the importance of being yourself and to stand by that; promote authenticity of who you really are rather than trying to portray another person.

Like Albert Einstein, the affirmation of the day is, "I trust that small ideas can lead to big discoveries."

Thank you for listening and have a Marvelous Monday 😊

## 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

