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Good morning, I.S. 201! I'm Leilani Quintana from class 731, and I'm here on behalf of the S.E.A.L. Team for this Thoughtful Thursday.

National Kite Day on January 14, is a special day that reminds us how small moments can bring a lot of happiness. Flying kites is fun because it lets us enjoy the fresh air, bright colors, and time with others, which is similar to how school brings us together every day. At school, we are like kites because we all have goals and dreams, and we need support from our teachers, friends, and classmates to help us rise and succeed. When someone encourages us, helps us with our work, or includes us, it can make our day so much better. Kindness is like the string that keeps the kite steady, helping us stay strong even when things get hard. National Kite Day reminds us that when we spread happiness, show respect, and lift each other up, our school can be a positive place where everyone feels supported and able to soar.

Like Martin Luther King Jr, today's affirmation is: "I matter."

Thank you for listening and Think Big Soar High Thursday 😊

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

