**Inventor Spotlight! Leonardo Da Vinci – Renaissance Man**

Leonardo Da Vinci is one of the most famous inventors who ever lived. Most widely known for his paintings The Mona Lisa and The Last Supper, he is one of the most diversely talented people in history.

Help Da Vinci! He invented the helicopter in 1484 (see below), but everyone thinks he’s crazy (modern helicopters weren’t built until the 1930s)! What 3 things can Da Vinci say to convince everyone that a helicopter is a great invention?

1.  
2.  
3.  

Unlock the Da Vinci Code! Can you answer Da Vinci’s question? He wrote in mirror writing so it’s harder to read (backwards and flipped):

What goes up a chimney?  
Can’t go down

can’t go down

A chimney nab

Answer:

Quick Da Vinci facts:
- Born 15th April 1452 in Florence, Italy.
- Started work as an apprentice sculptor.
- He kept his work secret by writing everything backwards using a mirror.

My 3 favourite Da Vinci inventions and why:
1.  
2.  
3.  

**Vocabulary builder**

Genius  Architect  Anatomy  Cartography  Discovery  Masterpiece
Polymath  Codice  Futuristic  Florence  Breakthrough  Western World