## Dear Parents & Guardians,

This year, students will participate in our second annual Balloons Over Dayton activity in November. They will read Balloons over Broadway by Melissa Sweet, and design their projects during their library periods with Mrs. Skidmore, starting the first week of November. Following that, students will construct their projects during two class periods in STEAM. Given the two-week time frame, we recommend keeping designs simple.

Last year, students were able to take their projects home the weekend before Thanksgiving to make final touches, which proved beneficial and helped alleviate stress. We will offer the same opportunity this year. The date for the parade is not yet set, but it will take place during the week of Thanksgiving.

**Supplies:** Please have your child bring in any supplies for their design by Tuesday, November 12, 2024. These should be items you have at home that can be up-cycled, such as cardboard (shoe boxes, cereal boxes), plastic bottles, felt, buttons, etc. Any extra supplies you can donate would be greatly appreciated.

**Extra Help:** Students will be afforded the opportunity to come for STEAM extra help on the following dates: Wed 11/13, Fri 11/15, Tue 11/19, Wed 11/20, Thur 11/21
This project is a wonderful way to connect home and school. We encourage you to discuss the project at home and be creative together!

