

SUMMER READING REQUIREMENTS FOR RISING 3RD GRADE STUDENTS

Rising 3rd Graders,

Reading is an essential skill for academic work which extends vocabulary, increases comprehension, and stimulates higher order thinking.

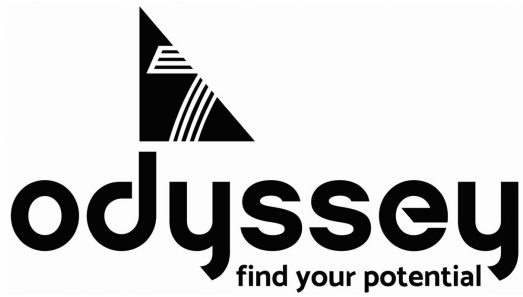
The theme of 3rd grade Odyssey is **Exploration**. Exploration begins with questions to be answered and leads us to new discoveries. It requires curiosity, persistence, and the willingness to take risks. Your summer reading assignments are to read a book about a famous explorer and complete a journal entry to prepare for our class discussions.

SUMMER READING REQUIREMENTS:

- **Read at least one book** about a famous explorer. (See the list of suggested explorers on the back.)
- **In your journal, write and illustrate** your responses to the following questions:
 - How did this explorer travel (ex. Ship, rocket, horse, etc...)?
 - Where and when did this person explore?
 - What did this explorer hope to find?
 - What tools did your explorer use during the his/her expeditions?
 - What type of clothing did this explorer have to wear?
 - What were some dangers he/she encountered?
 - What did this explorer find or discover about this place?
- **Bring the journal to the first Odyssey class** in August.

We hope you enjoy reading a famous explorer this summer!

Happy Reading,
The Odyssey Teachers



SUGGESTED SUMMER READING FOR RISING 3RD GRADE STUDENTS

- *You Wouldn't Want to Explore with Sir Francis Drake* by David Stewart
- *You Wouldn't Want to be on Apollo 13* by Ian Graham
- *You Wouldn't Want to be a Polar Explorer, An Expedition You'd Rather Not Go On* by Jen Green
- *You Wouldn't Want to be a Viking Explorer, Voyages You'd Rather Not Make* by Andrew Langley
- *You Wouldn't Want to Explore with Marco Polo!: A Really Long Trip You'd Rather Not Take* by Jacqueline Morley
- *I, Matthew Henson, Polar Explorer* by Carole Boston Weatherford
- *The Travels of Henry Hudson* by Joanne Mattern
- *Five Brave Explorers* by Wade Hudson
- *Women Explorers in North and South America* by Margoe McLoone
- *Magellan, a Voyage Around the World* by Fiona MacDonald
- *Antarctic Journal, Four Months at the Bottom of the World* by Jennifer Owings Dewey
- *Trapped by the Ice!* by Michael McCurdy
- *How We Crossed the West, the Adventures of Lewis and Clark* by Rosalyn Schanzer
- *The Lewis and Clark Expedition* by Christin Ditchfield
- *The Picture History of Great Explorers* by Gillian Clements
- *World Historical Atlases, Exploration* by Rebecca Stefoff
- *The Most Brilliant Boldly Going Book of Exploration Ever* by the Brainwaves by Lisa Swerling and Peter Crisp
- *Lewis and Clark, American Explorers* by Arlene Bourgeois Molzahn
- *Everything Vikings* by Nadia Higgins
- *Who Was Jane Goodall?* By Roberta Edwards
- *Who Was Ernest Shackleton?* By James Beckley, Jr.
- *Who Was Ferdinand Magellan?* By Sydelle Kramer
- *Who Was Neil Armstrong?* By Roberta Edwards
- *Who Was Lewis and Clark?* By Judith St. George
- *Who Were Stanley and Livingstone?* By Jim Gigliotti
- *Who Was Leif Erikson?* By Nico Medina
- *Who Was Jacques Cousteau?* By Nico Medina
- *Who Was Galileo?* by Patricia Brennan Demuth
- *Who Was Marco Polo?* By Joan Holub
- *Who Was Charles Darwin?* By Deborah Hopkinson
- *Who was Sacagawea?* by Judith Bloom Fradin
- *Annie Smith Peck: Queen of the Climbers* by Marlyn Mangus