

# Literacy This Week

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## Literacy Dates

NWT Aboriginal Languages Month - March

World Poetry Day - March 21

International Children's Book Day - April 2

## Our Blog

### Good news stories for March

There's good news about Aboriginal languages in the Northwest Territories.

Participants at an Aboriginal language networking workshop were inspired last week by three young people attempting to learn their Aboriginal language...[Read more.](#)



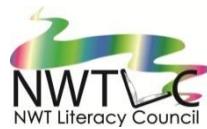
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We support literacy and essential skills in all the official languages of the Northwest Territories.

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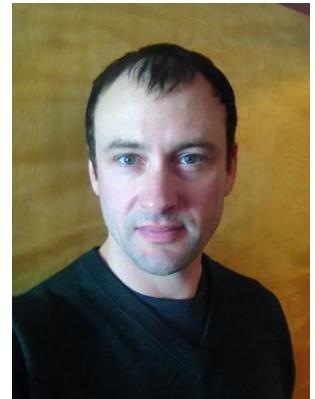
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# Announcements and Events

### We have a new treasurer

Welcome to our new board member and treasurer, Ken Latour. Ken is a long-time Hay River adult educator. Our [board members](#) are listed on our website.



### Tech Tuesdays are back

[Tech Tuesdays](#) are one-hour webinars that focus on digital tools for administrators, instructors and learners. There are webinars this spring about YouTube and Instagram.

### Language conference call for workshops

The [First Nations Languages Conference, "In the Spirit of Sharing"](#) is held every two years.



This conference brings together Elders, teachers, linguists, administrators and others for workshops that showcase promising practices in language teaching and planning and community revitalization efforts. The deadline for workshop applications is April 7, 2015.

### NWT culture survey open until end of March

What are your priorities for culture, language and heritage? [Have your say.](#)

## Funding

### imHealth project funding for victims of violence and abuse

The [Public Health Agency of Canada](#) wants proposals for projects that support trauma-informed health promotion activities that meet the health needs of victims of domestic violence and child abuse. Letters of Intent are accepted on an ongoing basis. Teleconference sessions to learn more about this call for proposals will be held:

- March 24, 2015 at 11:00 - 12:00 EDT (English)
- March 25, 2015 at 12:00 - 1:00 EDT (English)
- March 26, 2016 at 1:00 - 2:00 EDT (French)

To register for one of these information sessions send an email to [chpv-pscv@phac-aspc.gc.ca](mailto:chpv-pscv@phac-aspc.gc.ca) with the subject line "Information Session", and indicate your date preference.

### Canada Post fund benefits children

The [Canada Post Community Foundation](#) funds programs for children. The focus for its funding program is community, education and health. The deadline to apply is April 17, 2015.

## News and Research

### UVic program aims to revitalize South Slavey language in NWT

*CBC news, March 16, 2015*

March is Aboriginal Languages Month in the Northwest Territories. A language revival course is opening new doors and possibilities for those who want to learn one of the territory's 11 official tongues... [Read more](#)

## **Amplifying student voice through digital literacy**

In all of my work in education, there has never been a more motivating or driving force than student voice. Additionally, we live in a generation where anyone in the world can take his or her voice and amplify it globally... [Read more](#)

## **NWT Metis Nation creates Cree language cooking show**

*CBC news, March 16, 2015*

The next edition of a cookbook produced by the Northwest Territories Métis Nation will feature a DVD of a cooking show filmed in Hay River and Fort Smith. The hook? Participants prepare recipes while learning the Cree language...[Read more](#)

## **Nunavut schools look at standardizing Inuktitut writing system**

*Nunatsiaq News, March 13, 2015*

Nunavut education minister Paul Quassa announced yesterday in the legislative assembly that the government is looking into using Roman orthography as the standard writing system for Inuktitut in schools across the territory ...[Read more](#)

# **Resources and Websites**

## **Resources to indigenize curriculum**

[Community-based Aboriginal curriculum initiatives](#)

## **Financial Literacy and Learning for Aboriginals**

[Webinar recording](#)

[Moodle courses](#)

## **20+ activities for fun**

[In the snow](#)

## **Nunavut Animation Lab: Qalupalik**

[National Film Board/Inuit Broadcasting Corp short film](#)

## **Investing in our future**

[The Evidence Base on Preschool Education](#)

