

Literacy This Week

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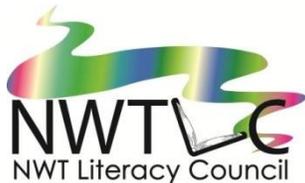
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We support literacy and essential skills in all the official languages of the Northwest Territories.

We're also plain language specialists.

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Literacy Dates

Intergenerational Day - June 1
NWT Disability Awareness Week - June 7-12
National Aboriginal Day - June 21

Our Blog

Parenting needs flexibility

Our guest blogger this week is Christine Barker. Christine does family literacy programming in Yellowknife and strives to be a better parent.

A few weeks ago I selected the Literacy and Parenting Skills workshop when I participated in family literacy training in Edmonton. I thought it would be a great fit given that the people I work with are constantly questioning their abilities as parents...[Read more](#)

Announcements and Events

NorthWords 10th anniversary festival this week

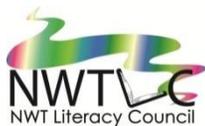
The NorthWords festival starts today with a full [schedule](#) of events. Guests include Drew Hayden Taylor, Kathleen Winter, Alexander McLeod and many more!



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Truth and Reconciliation Commission closing events

The Truth and Reconciliation Commission closing events are in Ottawa on May 31-June 3. To mark the occasion, NWT Aboriginal organizations are hosting a [commemorative walk](#) in Yellowknife on Sunday May 31, from noon to 2 pm starting at City Hall.

Celebrate Intergenerational Day June 1

[Seniors are Cool](#) is a video that might help children look at seniors with new eyes.

Nominate someone for a literacy award

The NWT Department of Education, Culture and Employment is calling for nominations for [NWT Literacy Awards](#). There are awards for youth and adult learners, an educator and an organization. The deadline for nominations is extended until June 12, 2015.



Funding

Guide to NWT government grants and contributions

The [guide](#) gives an overview of programs, funding eligibility, maximum amounts payable and information on where to make an application. The NWT government suggests applicants contact the appropriate department for program details before making an application.

Heritage Trust Contest

The [Heritage Trust Contest](#) supports not-for-profit organizations that practice and inspire digital stewardship of the world's information heritage in local communities. The deadline to enter on Facebook is June 19, 2015

News and Research

NWT history highlighted at heritage fair

Students across the NWT were encouraged to step away from modern life to take a look into their pasts in preparation for the 2015 Territorial Heritage Fair...[Read more](#)

Used book store video goes viral

A parody video produced for a popular Chilliwack used book store has gone viral on Facebook...[Read more](#)

Your brain interprets the world differently from everyone else's

Sometimes, other people interpret your words differently than you may have intended - like you're not on the same wavelength. Turns out that the neuroscience backs up that idea...[Read more](#)

Active play at child care centres lacking

Physical activity is important for children's health and development, yet preschoolers are not meeting physical activity recommendations, according to an American study. The study looked at how variation in indoor versus outdoor and free versus teacher-led opportunities relate to children's physical activity...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites

Summer 2015 reading list

[CBC books](#)

Right from the start

[NWT programs for children and families](#)

Reconciling the two solitudes

[Video speech by TRC commissioner, Marie Wilson](#)

What you should say to people with hearing loss

[Hearing health matters](#)

