



Literacy This Week

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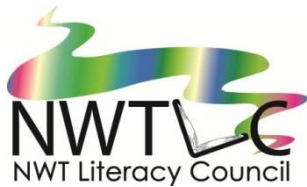
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Literacy Dates

Financial Literacy Month - November

Universal Children's Day - November 20

International Volunteer Day - December 5

International Human Rights Day - December 10

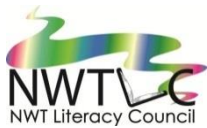
Our Blog

NWT candidates respond to literacy issues

Thank you to the 18 MLA Candidates from across our Territory who have taken the time to think about and respond to literacy and essential skills issues that face our population. Please take a moment to read the responses and see what commitment the candidates in your riding are pledging to make for the 18th sitting of our Legislative Assembly...[Read more](#)



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Announcements and Events

Join us Saturday for our annual meeting

Please join us for our annual general meeting tomorrow at noon in the Solstice Room of the Coast Fraser Tower. We'll provide a light lunch. You can review our [annual report](#) on our website.



Get access to early childhood education and care resources

The [Canadian Child Care Federation](#) is committed to best practices in early childhood education. It has 100 resources for parents on its website. You must be a member to access its professional development resources for practitioners.

Find out about hearing technology, safety and hearing dogs

The [Canadian Hard of Hearing Association - Yellowknife Branch](#) invites everyone to its final 20th anniversary celebration at 7 pm Tuesday, December 1, 2015. Meet Emily Roback and her hearing dog, Ivey, as well as members from the RCMP and the Yellowknife Fire Department to learn about safety technology in the home! The presentation is at the Baker Centre.

Bird count for kids

Looking for something to do at your community centre, library or school? The [Christmas Bird Count for Kids](#) is an exciting way to engage youth, celebrate local birds and contribute to Citizen Science!

Funding

NWT On The Land Collaborative Fund

This fund promotes and supports on-the-land initiatives by communities and organizations. [NWT On the Land Collaborative Fund](#) applications are due January 31, 2016

United Way

Funding is allocated to NWT projects that fit under one or more of three focus areas:

- From poverty to possibility
- Healthy people, strong communities
- All that kids can be

The deadline to apply for [funding](#) is December 1, 2015.

News and Research

NWT traditional teacher honoured with educator's award

Liz Aapack Fowler may not be the most well-known educator in the North, but her work has certainly influenced many - if not all - students who have passed through education systems in the Northwest Territories and Nunavut...[Read more](#)



Comics, graphic novels, art and their power to tell stories

Last week, CBC radio program, Unreserved, was an all-nerd special saluting art, comic books, graphic novels and those who create them, including, Richard Van Camp...[Read and listen to more](#)

Figuring out how Ottawa works these days...

Literacy blogger, Briget Hayes, looks at the federal mandate letters for ministers and cabinet appointments to assess how the Liberal government will support literacy and essential skills...[Read more](#)

Jonathan Auxier wins children's literature award

Jonathan Auxier, author of *The Night Gardener*, is taking home the 2015 TD Canadian Children's Literature Award, the richest prize in the country for children's literature at \$30,000. He also won the \$5,000 Monica Hughes Award for Science Fiction and Fantasy...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites

10 agreements for a happy and well-functioning team

[How to not suck as a co-worker](#)

Stories for adult learners

[Centre for the Study of Adult Literacy](#)

Margaret Atwood says the darnedest things

[10 quotes from her 75th year](#)

Financial literacy quiz

[How do your financial literacy skills and knowledge measure up?](#)