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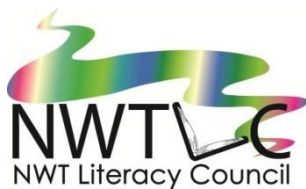
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We're the family, youth and adult literacy and essential skills centre for excellence.

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

Holiday hours - Our office is closed December 24-January 4

National Family Literacy Day - January 27

Our Blog

Five books to give or read during the holidays

I plan to give *Any Questions?*, says Marianne Bromley. Ruth Bowen describes Kathleen Winter's *Boundless* as a welcome antidote to the hype surrounding the discovery of Erebus. Beverly Amos says she loves reading *Inuvialuit Nautchiangit* and Xiaoyi Yan has the perfect book/movie gift package suggestion...[Read more](#)



Announcements and Events

NWT government accepting summer student job applications

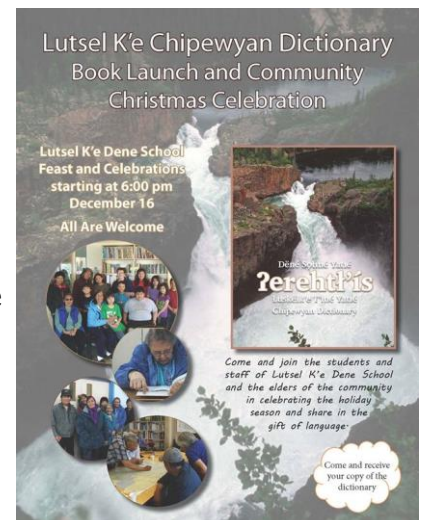
The [Government of the Northwest Territories](#) begins to hire northern post-secondary school students as casual summer employees in April. Northern students are encouraged to be proactive in their search for employment with the NWT government. For more information you can contact the Student and Youth Recruitment Officer at 867-873-7612 or brian_potvin@gov.nt.ca

Giving the gift of language

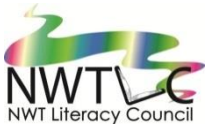
Congratulations to the South Slave Divisional Education Council and the elders of Łutsel K'e who are launching the Łutsel K'e Chipewyan Dictionary next week. The education council will give the gift of language, a copy of the community dictionary, to families at the Łutsel K'e Dene School's Christmas feast and concert. Everyone is welcome to this event next Tuesday.

We've postponed our annual meeting

We've postponed our annual general meeting until early in 2015. Check our website, Facebook page or



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Funding

Summer jobs funding open for applications

[Canada Summer Jobs](#) provides funding to not-for-profit organizations, public-sector employers and small businesses to create summer job opportunities for young people aged 15 to 30 years who are full-time students intending to return to their studies in the next school year. [There are priority areas for employment within the NWT.](#) You can apply for this funding until January 30, 2015.

Law Foundation grants available

The [NWT Law Foundation](#) has funds available to assist groups with projects related to legal research and education. See their website for guidelines and the application form. The deadline to apply is March 31 of each year.

News and Research

Hunger, housing and help for addictions top priorities at anti-poverty roundtable

Northern Journal, December 8, 2014

"People need to be housed and fed, and before you start looking at too much more than that, you can't expect people to want to get rid of their addictions if they don't have a warm place to be and food in their tummy,"...[Read more](#)

A brief history of web literacy and its future potential

Over the past 20 years, our understanding of what the web is and how it impacts society has developed. So, I would argue, has our understanding of web literacy. By "web literacy" I mean the skills and competencies that are required to read, write and participate on the open web. My focus here isn't the history of the web itself, but the history of the skills that people have thought necessary to use it...[Read more](#)

Helping children make sense of numbers

Number sense is one of the most difficult concepts to teach young children. Why? Because it's abstract. For children to grasp number sense, they need to understand that an abstract symbol (the number 3 or 8, for example) means an amount or quantity that could apply to anything...[Read more](#)

Financial literacy pays off

Because 87% of Ariel students qualify for free or reduced-price lunch, they are exposed to financial-literacy concepts that are woven into the curriculum beginning in kindergarten to attempt to break the cycle of poverty...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites

The jolly old man in the red suit explains all

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