



# Literacy This Week

February 13, 2020

## Literacy Dates

Indigenous Languages Month - February

Book Giving Day - February 14

Canada Learning Bond Event, Inuvik - February 17

Family Literacy Training Institute, Beaufort-Delta - February 18-20

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## Blog



### Five simple ways to make space for Indigenous languages in your everyday life

Indigenous languages need to reclaim space in our everyday lives once again. But when you are a beginner, finding a starting point to do that can feel

daunting and overwhelming. So, here are five simple ways that...[Read more](#)

## Announcements and Events

### Indigenous arts and resurgence at the Yellowknife Museum

Join the Dechinta Centre for Research and Learning for an evening roundtable discussion with Indigenous artists and curators from across Canada. To learn more, click [here](#).

### The Hay River Film Society presents *The Farewell*

A Chinese family discovers their grandmother has only a short while left to live and decide to keep her in the dark, scheduling a wedding to gather before she dies. For more information click [here](#).

### Ptarmicon Game Knight

Come play some table top games with Ptarmicon! Free, all ages, and family friendly. Taking place at Northern United Place in Yellowknife on February 15 from 7:00 PM - 11:30 PM. See more [here](#).

## Funding

### GNWT Community Literacy Development Fund

This fund provides financial assistance to community organizations to develop and deliver local programs that will increase literacy skills and raise awareness of the importance of literacy. See more details [here](#).

### Learning Supports for Persons with Disabilities

[This fund](#) helps NWT residents with disabilities achieve their learning goals. Individuals or organizations may apply for funding. Proposals must show that the funding requested will help to overcome barriers to learning.

### Student Financial Assistance

If you're thinking of post secondary, click [here](#)! One of the recent SFA updates is an increase to the amount of funding you can get for tuition and books! The Basic Grant is meant to help with the cost of your post-secondary education. It isn't a student loan because you won't have to pay it back!

## News, Research, Opinion

2-Spirit Cree singer releases video about journey from struggle to hope

A nineteen year old Quebec two-spirit Cree singer and educator credits art and music with saving their life, and honours their mother and a first love in a new single and video...[Read more](#)

### **Nominations for NWT outstanding volunteer award close April 9**

The award celebrates people who have made a remarkable difference to their community or organization. There are four categories: youth under 25, individuals aged 25 to 54, group, and Elder...[Read more](#)

### **The march to reconciliation trips over a pipeline**

The dispute over the proposed Coastal GasLink pipeline in the B.C. interior is fuelling protests right across the country now — protests that governments seem reluctant to confront even as they spread...[Read more](#)

## Resources and Websites

### Indigenous language resources

[Speak Tłıchǫ to me](#)

[Indigenous languages and literacy links](#)

[Ideas for communities to promote language use](#)

[Contacts for the Indigenous language communities in the NWT](#)



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