



Literacy This Week

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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



Reclaim your language without shame or fear

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I acquired my Inuvialuktun language at home with my parents and family. At that time in the 1960s, it was the dominant language. Spending time on the land and living in a tiny isolated village, I was taught by example...[Read more](#)

Announcements and Events

Yellowknife's Hockey Day in Canada

For the next week, Yellowknife is set to be the centre of the hockey world as events get underway ahead of Scotiabank's Hockey Day in Canada on Saturday. [Here's](#) a look at everything that's happening and what you need to know ahead of time.

Indigenous arts and resurgence at the Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre

Join the Dechinta Centre for Research and Learning for an evening roundtable discussion with Indigenous artists and curators from across Canada. It will focus on artistic practice, and relationships to community and land. To learn more, click [here](#).

Winter celebration in Hay River

The Town of Hay River is celebrating winter tomorrow on Friday, February 8! There will be food, fun, recreation, and activities starting at 8:00 AM and ending at 9:00 PM. See more details on the town's website [here](#).

Funding

GNWT Healthy Choices Fund

This fund is for Indigenous governments, community governing authorities, non-government organizations, and health and social services authorities. Applications are due February 14. See more details [here](#).

Tweed Collective

[Tweed Collective](#) is a social purpose initiative that funds community impact projects across Canada. Our partners are the non-profits, Business Improvement Areas (BIA), and registered charities that are creating new pathways to *Grow Opportunities*, *Grow Greener* and *Grow Connections* in their communities. Applications close February 20.

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

New scholarship for northern students pursuing health careers

Northern students in health-related fields will soon be able to apply for a new scholarship being created by the Yellowknife Community Foundation. At this Saturday's annual fundraising gala, the foundation will celebrate the creation of the Butler-Hushagen Health Education Fund in association with Rob Butler and Tannis Hushagen...[Read more](#)

Northern Compass awarded \$1-million Arctic Inspiration Prize

Northern Compass received the top prize on Wednesday night at a ceremony in Ottawa. This was the second year in a row in which the project had been nominated. Missing out last year, Northern Compass this year was selected over Nunavut music mentorship and teaching program Imaa...[Read more](#)

Get vaccinated, health workers urge, as NWT whooping cough cases rise

The territory's chief public health officer last month declared an outbreak of the disease, formally known as pertussis, in the Yellowknife and Tłı̨chǫ regions. "The best way to protect yourself from getting pertussis is to ensure your immunizations are up to date,"...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites

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