



# Literacy This Week

January 16, 2020

## Literacy Dates

National Family Literacy Day - January 27  
Indigenous Languages Month - February 1-29  
Canada Learning Bond Event (Inuvik) - February 17

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## Blog



### 30 years of great resources

2020 marks 30 years since the NWT Literacy Council was created as an organization. We are so proud of the work that has been done over the last 30 years, and so thankful for the people who have contributed to the Council's success...[Read more](#)

## Announcements and Events

## World Forum on Early Care and Education

Join early childhood professionals and advocates from around the world who will assemble in Vancouver to engage in work and dialogue to impact the futures of young children and their families. Early bird rates now available for April 20-23, 2021 [here](#).

## Ladies Only Swim Night

NWT Literacy is hosting at Ruth Inch Memorial Pool in Yellowknife on January 17, 2020 from 8:15 - 9:30 PM. This event is for ladies and girls 9+ years old and will have female lifeguards. See more details [here](#).

## Policing Black Lives: Public Lecture

Join author Robyn Maynard, Farrahminah Francis and Leanne Betasamosake Simpson at the Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre on January 17, 2020 from 12:00 - 1:00 PM. See more details [here](#).

## Girls on Ice Canada - Inspiring Girls Expeditions

Inspiring Girls Expeditions combines science, art, inquiry, and wilderness travel. We are looking for girls who bring a unique contribution to the team: we want to hear your story! Read more about this opportunity [here](#).

# Funding

## NWT Arts Council Funding

Available for artists or territorial organizations who are producing specific artistic works, projects or events in the Northwest Territories between April 2020 and March 2021. Deadline for [applications](#) is February 29, 2020.

## Agriculture and Food Processing Development Program

Are you a farmer, greenhouse grower, harvester, or fisher with great ideas for increasing local food production and availability for NWT consumers in the commercial marketplace? [This program](#) can help bring your ideas to life.

## Rising Youth Community Service Grants

Do you have a simple project idea to support your community? TakingITGlobal (TIG) is looking for young people who are inspired with ideas and ready to take action through youth-led community service grants. See more [here](#).

# News, Research, Opinion

**Why the Nuu-chah-nulth fought a classroom smudging case, and won**  
The BC Supreme Court recently grappled with some big issues. Is First Nations' smudging religious? If it's demonstrated in a classroom, are the children's religious freedoms under the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms

infringed?...[Read more](#)

### Dene Heroes books should be in schools, Sahtu leader says

David Codzi, president of Ayoni Keh Land Corporation, made the remarks as he discussed publication of a fourth book of stories about Sahtu residents, entitled Dene Heroes of the Sahtu...[Read more](#)

### NT sees 29 name changes after waiving fees to reclaim Indigenous names

Ashley Lennie was a teenager when she found out the name on her birth certificate, Inglangasuk, was a different surname than the one she has used her entire life. "I always thought I was a Lennie until I got my first paycheque," said Lennie...[Read more](#)

## Resources and Websites

### Family Literacy

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