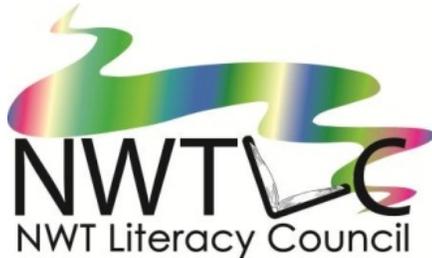


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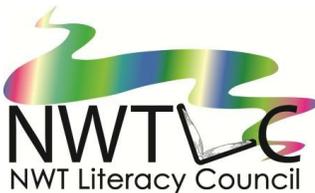
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## Literacy Dates

Indigenous History Month - June  
Senior Citizens' Month - June  
International Literacy Day - September 8  
NWT Literacy Week - September 23-29

## Our Blog

### Balancing Smart Devices, Social Media and Life

When Facebook was new, I enjoyed getting in touch with friends that I hadn't seen in years. It really opened up the world. I spent hours and hours scrolling and posting, and adding friends. Then one day I was so distracted by this social media thing, I realized I was not keeping my little ones safe...[Read more](#)



## Announcements and Events

### We're on holiday until the fall

We won't be publishing [Literacy This Week](#) again until the fall. Watch then for the next issue of our newsletter, [Literacy Matters](#), too. To keep up with what we're up to, follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), or [Instagram](#). We wish everyone a



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happy, safe summer!

## Interested in a retirement plan for the non-profit sector?

You can participate in a quick survey about a national portable retirement plan for people working in the non-profit and charitable sector in Canada. [Common Good Retirement Plan](#) is a national initiative aiming to fill this gap.

## Online training to deliver financial literacy help

Do you work for a not-for-profit organization that serves people living on low incomes? Would you like to offer them financial literacy education? Register for the online [Financial Literacy Facilitator Training](#) course which starts on September 24, 2018.

## Funding

### Apply now to build skills for youth

We have funding available to help NWT youth projects and programs incorporate skill building. The [Skill Builders for Youth](#) funding can be accessed on an ongoing basis.

Successful applicants will have taken Skill Builders for Youth training.

### Funding for university preparation

The [University and College Entrance Preparation Program](#) assists First Nations and eligible Inuit students in university or college preparation programs. Contact your local or regional First Nations, Inuit, or Inuvialuit office for deadlines and more information.

### Improve access in your community

The [Enabling Accessibility Fund](#) provides money for capital projects that increase access for people with disabilities in Canadian communities and workplaces. Projects should create more opportunities to participate in community activities, programs and services, or access employment. The deadline for small projects is July 26, 2018. The deadline for the youth leaders program is September 21, 2018.

## News, Opinion, and Research

### "None of them are safe": Bellegarde

The Canadian government needs to act fast to protect endangered Indigenous languages from dying out, says the National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations...[Read more](#)

### More books, more readers

The South Slave Divisional Education Council is betting that investing in some new technology will mean it can put more books into more people's hands - digitally...[Read more](#)

### Mathematics talent abounds in Indigenous communities

There is a profound mathematical presence in various Indigenous traditions, from art to weaving patterns in cedar root and birch bark baskets, to canoe designs, the strategies of the salmon harvest, and the ways of managing resources ...[Read more](#)

## Resources and Websites

### **Rights of people with disabilities**

[NWT Disabilities Council](#)

### **Symbols of Canada**

[Happy Canada Day quiz](#)

### **Speak Gwich'in to me**

[Documentary](#)

### **Summer reading list**

[Early readers edition](#)