

November 29, 2018

Literacy Dates

Financial Literacy Month - November

International Volunteer Day - December 5

International Human Rights Day - December 10

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Blog

More than English conversation

The Speak English Café is part social club and part orientation to northern Canada. It's certainly more than just a chance to practice English conversation skills. The Café is a well-attended Tuesday evening meet-up...[Read more](#)



Announcements and Events

Global Music is back

Our Community Connections [Global Music](#) activity is back for three Sunday afternoon drumming sessions. Adults are invited to join us from 2-4 pm at the Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre auditorium on December 2, 9, and 16.

Patti Kay Hamilton launches memoir

Patti Kay Hamilton is launching her new book *Trapline to Deadline* tonight in [Fort Smith](#). She will host a launch tomorrow night in [Hay River](#) and Sunday she will be at the [Yellowknife Book Cellar](#) at 2 pm in Yellowknife.

Books for the holidays

The Yellowknife Book Cellar is hosting a [book signing and sale](#) with seven NWT authors on Sunday from 2-4 pm. There's sure to be something for everyone on your shopping list, and you too!

Share your college memories

Aurora College is celebrating its 50th anniversary. Aurora College alumni, students, partners, and employers of graduates are encouraged to share stories and testimonials on the anniversary [website](#) and [Facebook](#) page.

Apply to be on an early learning and child care expert panel

A public call for nominations is open to interested individuals who have experience with early learning and child care to apply for the [Ministerial Expert Panel on Early Learning and Child Care](#). The panel will be made of people from diverse communities.



Funding

Loblaw Water Fund supports community water projects

The [Loblaw Water Fund](#) supports projects that will result in positive improvements to the health of freshwater ecosystems across Canada through direct, on-the-ground initiatives. The deadline to apply is December 17, 2018.

Youth employment success funding

[RBC Future Launch](#) is a 10-year \$500 million commitment to help Canadian youth prepare for the jobs of tomorrow. Projects should focus on access to work-integrated learning experiences, long-term sustainable partnerships to address the skills gap, and/or using social media, mentorships, and other

resources to guide young people to opportunities. Funding applications are accepted year round.



News, Research, Opinion

New learning program will teach NWT students about 'hearing health'

The Sound Sense learning program, which started as a pilot project in 12 schools across Ontario, has made its way into the Northwest Territories. It aims to educate kids about the effects of noise pollution so they can take the necessary steps to protect their ears...[Read more](#)

Parents angry as YK daycare closes on short notice

Parents in Yellowknife are very upset as a busy daycare announced it will be closing its doors with just two weeks notice. Kids Corner, which runs out of the Cornerstone Pentecostal Church, is officially closing on December 7th ... [Read more](#)

New study underscores why fewer toys is the better option

Toys seem like an inevitable by-product of parenting. If your home teems with too many must-have fad items, toys, or gizmos that caught your child's fancy, you're not alone. Now there is good news for parents who fear their children's play areas resemble a toy store...[Read more](#)

Evidence-informed approaches to help every student succeed

It is widely believed that the critically literate graduate – our goal in education – is measured in terms of the skills and behaviours to comprehend, problem-solve and apply new learnings in different contexts. These literate learner skills are foundational and underpin many of the 'in vogue' theories purported to be 'the answer' today...[Read more](#)



Resources and Websites

Where we stand

[The Canadian Index of Child and Youth Well-being](#)

Dictionary.com

[Word of the year](#)

Financial literacy in the classroom

[Quizzes for secondary and adult education teachers and learners](#)



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