

Literacy This Week

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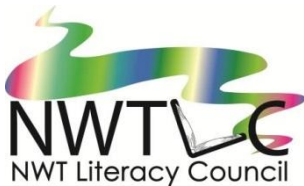
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We're the family, youth and adult literacy and essential skills centre for excellence.

We support literacy and essential skills in all the official languages of the Northwest Territories.

We're also plain language specialists.

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Literacy Dates

Financial Literacy Month - November

National Child Day - November 20

International Volunteer Day - December 5

International Human Rights Day - December 10

Our Blog

We celebrate National Child Day every day

You can see people's imagination run wild with their own creations amidst the construction paper, markers, blunt scissors, glue sticks, and googly eyes. This is what makes family literacy activities so much fun...[Read more](#)



Announcements and Events

It's Education Savings Week

November 16 to 22 is the first ever [Education Savings Week](#). If you are on Twitter look for this hashtag #EduSaveWeek.



Please complete our Literacy This Week survey

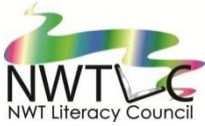
We're anxious to improve Literacy This Week to make sure it meets your needs.

[Please take 5 minutes to complete our short survey.](#) Thanks!

Fred Stenson events in Yellowknife

Alberta author Fred Stenson is speaking at a brown bag lunch at the Public Library tomorrow at noon. His latest novel, *Who By Fire* is about the tensions between industry and community. Fred will be at the Yellowknife Book Cellar for a reading on Saturday at 2 pm. He is delivering a workshop that day as well for

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Funding

Invest NWT funding database now online

Several private and government agencies have funding programs to support economic development in the NWT. These programs are now listed in an [online funding database](#).

Tree Canada greens school grounds

Schools can apply to the [Tree Canada Greening Canada's School Grounds](#) program for the opportunity to win grants of up to \$3000. Applications are accepted year round and are kept on file for two years.

News and Research

Speaking two languages is better for the brain than Sudoku

The mental workout of constantly balancing two competing vocabularies makes it easier for bilinguals to process information, according to a new study...[Read more](#)

A very scary headline about kindergarteners

What could possibly be sobering about test results from kindergartners? What kind of tests are they giving to kindergartners anyway? It turns out that every public school kindergartner in Oregon was given a kindergarten readiness test last September to see how many numbers, letters and sounds they knew...[Read more](#)

Aurora Research Institute celebrates 50 years

Northern Journal, November 17, 2014

From language and cultural revitalization to northern farming and life on the land, the Aurora Research Institute in Inuvik has been an integral part of learning and developing research in the Northwest Territories for the past 50 years ...[Read more](#)

Making child's play out of banking in India

Aljazeera, November 19, 2014

A pioneering Indian bank is teaching the impoverished children of an overcrowded Muslim neighbourhood in Ahmedabad how to save for a crisis. Sarjan Bank at Sankalit Nagar in the neglected western neighbourhood of Juhapura is proving highly popular with local pre-teens - who are also helping to run it...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites

First Nations Storybook: Bush Cree

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