

Literacy This Week

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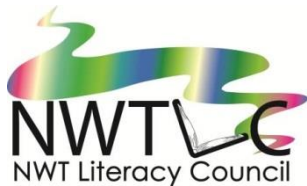
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We're the family, youth and adult literacy and essential skills centre for excellence.

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

We're also plain language specialists.

[Check out our website to learn more](#)

Literacy Dates

NWT PGI for Literacy - October 6-9

International Plain Language Day - October 13

Canadian Library Month - October

International Day for the Eradication of Poverty - October 17

Our Blog

Who's Peter Gzowski?

Next week we celebrate the 2014 NWT PGI for Literacy. PGI stands for Peter Gzowski Invitational.

I urge you to come out to PGI events next week because we believe there's fun in fundraising...[Read more](#)

Announcements and Events

Buy your PGI concert ticket now

There are two different [PGI for Literacy concerts](#) next week in Yellowknife. Enjoy a full slate of southern and northern performers, music, laughter and storytelling - while supporting community literacy projects in the NWT.

Tickets are a great value and available at the [Northern Arts and Cultural Centre](#).

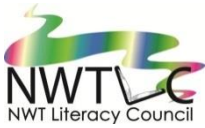
PGI Premier's feast in Dettah on Monday

Everyone is welcome to come to the [Premier's Feast](#) and learner awards in Dettah on Monday at 6 pm at the Chief Drygeese Centre.

AFN has advice and information on personal credits

The [Assembly of First Nations](#) is hosting a series of Indian Residential Schools Settlement Agreement Personal Credits information conference calls during October and November. Communities and organizations are welcome to participate.

Support Literacy



You can support literacy in the NWT

- [Make a donation](#)
- [Join the Council](#)

Take part in literacy activities in your community

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Tell us how you celebrated NWT Literacy Week

We want to know how each NWT community celebrated literacy last week. We will use your photos in our next newsletter, Literacy Matters. Please send information and photos to Katie at katie@nwtliteracy.ca



St. Pat's High School set up a health literacy display. Tell us what you did for NWT Literacy Week.

Funding

Funding for youth and children projects

The [McKesson Foundation](#) provides financial assistance to nonprofits who help children and youth in the areas of health, education and poverty. The Canadian Regional Grants Program typically awards grants that range in size from \$2,500 to \$25,000 for one-time specific projects. The deadline to apply online is October 31, 2014.

Apply now for nonprofit leadership grants

The [PricewaterhouseCoopers Canada Foundation](#) is accepting submissions for its Leadership Grants Program. It provides professional development grants to small to medium-sized registered charities in Canada. The grants can be for individuals or teams of staff and volunteers. The deadline to apply is October 24, 2014.

News and Research

We were at the NWT Educators' Conference



Our resources were popular at this week's NWT Educators' Conference trade show. We also delivered a number of workshops at the conference.

Students must feel safe, secure before learning: Dr. Gabor Maté

CBC news, September 30, 2014

The keynote speaker at a territorial educators' conference in Yellowknife this week says schools need to make children feel safe, secure, welcome and wanted before they can teach...[Read more](#)

Literacy awards honour Aboriginal language teachers

Northern Journal, September 30, 2014

Seku hóneltën means "teacher" in Dëne Suliné, or the Chipewyan language, a fact that eight year-old Bridgett McKay learned thanks to her teacher Angie Fabien at the Deninu School in Fort Resolution...[Read more](#)

Why we must teach children how to move

Globe and Mail, September 24, 2014

It's a bit counterintuitive. Humans are born with the capacity to move, but not the skills to do so...[Read more](#)

Can more education solve Canada's income inequality problem?

Since the early 1980s, middle class incomes in Canada and the United States have stagnated with the incomes of the top 1% have, with occasional short interruptions, grown dramatically...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites

Peter Gzowski's voice

[Lesson plan for teachers](#)

Arctic Children and Youth Foundation

[Playing to strengths](#)

Calgary Aboriginal Adult Learning Project

[Tips to serve Aboriginal adult learners](#)

Four magic words

[You can learn anything \(short video 1:30\)](#)

Fetal alcohol spectrum disorder and the law (videos)

FASD = permanent brain-based physical disability



Fetal Alcohol and the Law - Part 1



Fetal Alcohol and the Law - Part 2