

Literacy This Week

December 5, 2013

In This Issue

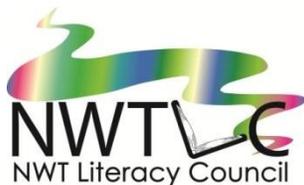
[Literacy Dates](#)

[Announcements and Events](#)

[Funding](#)

[News and Research](#)

[Resources and Websites](#)



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

International Human Rights Day - December 10, 2013

National Family Literacy Day - January 27, 2014

Announcements and Events

We're all about workshops these days!

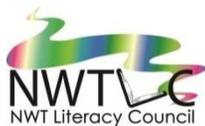
Whew! Our photocopier worked overtime as we got ready for five workshops in the past week or so. We delivered these workshops.

- Facilitation Skills
- Proposal Writing
- Cooking and Nutrition for Young Parents
- Clear Communication

The Family Literacy Training Institute has 28 participants and ends tomorrow in Yellowknife.



Support Literacy



You can support literacy in the NWT

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

Take part in literacy activities in your community

Connect With Us!

Like us on [Facebook](#)

Follow us on [twitter](#)

View our videos on [YouTube](#)

Contact Us

NWT Literacy Council
Box 761
Yellowknife, NT
X1A 2N6

Phone: 873-9262
Fax: 873-2176
Toll Free:
1-866-599-6758

nwtliteracy@nwtliteracy.ca

www.nwt.literacy.ca

If someone forwarded you this email, you can

[Join Our List](#)

[Join Our Mailing List!](#)

We take seriously our mandate to increase the capacity of NWT communities to support literacy and essential skills. Thanks to everyone who came to our workshops.

World Literacy Canada Writing Contest Open

[World Literacy Canada](#) is hosting a writing contest called Write for a Better World. It encourages Canadian students in grades 5-8 to write a 400-word story about a culture that is new to them in another part of the world.

Last year over 1,500 children entered stories, but there was only one entry from the NWT! The deadline for entries is April 4, 2014.



Funding

Funding available for student jobs

[Canada Summer Jobs](#) funding helps employers create summer jobs for students. It is designed to focus on local priorities, while helping both students and their communities. The deadline to apply is January 31, 2014.

News and Research

Canada's fall in math-education ranking sets off alarm bells

Globe and Mail, December 3, 2013

Canada has dropped out of the top 10 in international math education standings, a decline that is raising alarms about the country's future prosperity...[Read more](#)

We're on it: education ministers respond to math results

Globe and Mail, December 3, 2013

Our students, parents, teachers, school principals, administrators, and education partners should all take pride in these results. Together, they have ensured that Canada's schoolchildren continue to attain high levels of achievement...[Read more](#)

Canada must stop being 'a school that never issues report cards'

Globe and Mail, December 4, 2013

For many years, governments in Canada have parroted to a willingly believing public that we were global leaders in education...[Read more](#)

Stories from the field research examines technology

Is technology changing the meaning of literacy, and if so, then how is it changing teaching and learning in adult literacy programs? (2013)...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites

Measuring Up

- [The Performance of Canada's Youth in Mathematics, Reading and Science](#)
- [PISA 2012 international results](#)

Fort McMoney

[An interactive game documentary](#)

Human Rights Day resource - A Class Divided

[The classic documentary and teacher guide](#)