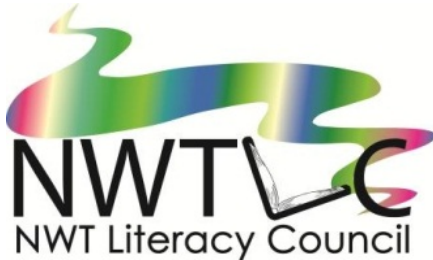


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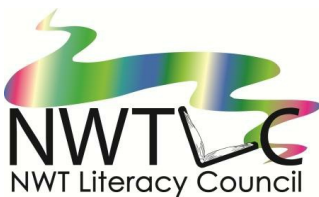
Earth Day - April 22

World Book and Copyright Day - April 23

Our Blog

Making music with babies and toddlers

Making music with young children supports overall brain development and helps develop music and language abilities. Active music invites a child to participate in and respond to the music, rather than passively listen to it...[Read more](#)



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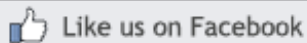
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Announcements and Events

Still time to enter our Indigenous Languages Month contest

The deadline for our [photo/video contest for Indigenous Languages Month](#) is April 23. Please send photos or videos of your Indigenous language role model. Tell us how their language has opened doors for them - at work, on the land, to their culture, etc.

Community Connections programs in April

Our Community Connections program has organized another [women-only swim](#) at the Ruth Inch Pool in Yellowknife on April 14 from 8:30-9:30 pm. The monthly [Global Cooking](#) activity is April 26 at 10 am. Call Karen at 873-9262 or email karen@nwtliteracy.ca for information about programs for immigrants in Yellowknife.

American university offers online family literacy certificate

Register now for the online course offering this summer toward the [Penn State Family Literacy Certificate](#). The certificate focuses on effective program planning, implementation, and research-based practice.

Funding

Apply now for RBC funding programs

The [Royal Bank of Canada](#) has a few funding programs open now. Future Launch helps Canadian youth prepare for the jobs of tomorrow. The Youth Mental Health Project supports programs that help youth and families access the right care at the right time.

Law Foundation gives grants

The [NWT Law Foundation](#) assists groups with projects that contribute to legal education or research. Applicants are encouraged to contact the foundation before submitting an application.

News, Opinion, and Research

Caroline Cochrane named Minister of Education

Northwest Territories Premier Bob McLeod has shuffled his cabinet with about a year and a half left in the government's term. Three cabinet ministers are involved in the change: Caroline Cochrane, Alfred Moses and Robert C. McLeod...[Read more](#)

Reading programs may teach parents and kids more than literacy

Programs that encourage parents to read with their kids may teach more than just book smarts - a new study suggests they may also be associated with better behaviour and emotional health...[Read more](#)

Federal government announces \$7 million for NWT child care

The federal government announced more than \$7 million for early-childhood education and child care in the Northwest Territories. The money is spread out over the next three years, and comes from the 2016 and 2017 federal budgets...[Read more](#)

The time it takes to learn a new language depends on what you want to do with it

If you go by the ads for some language learning apps, you can "have a conversation in a new language in three weeks" ...[Read more](#)

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10-step guide to proofreading essays

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