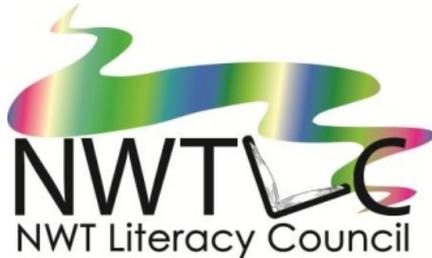


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## Literacy Dates

International Book Giving Day - February 14

World Day of Social Justice - February 20

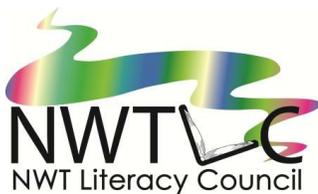
Freedom to Read Week - February 25-March 3

Indigenous Languages Month - March

## Our Blog

### Share your love of books

Is there a bookworm in your life that makes your heart skip a beat? Skip the roses this year and say "I love you" with a book! While Valentine's Day may be just around the corner, it's not the only holiday we'll be celebrating here at the NWT Literacy Council. February 14 also marks International Book Giving Day...[Read more](#)

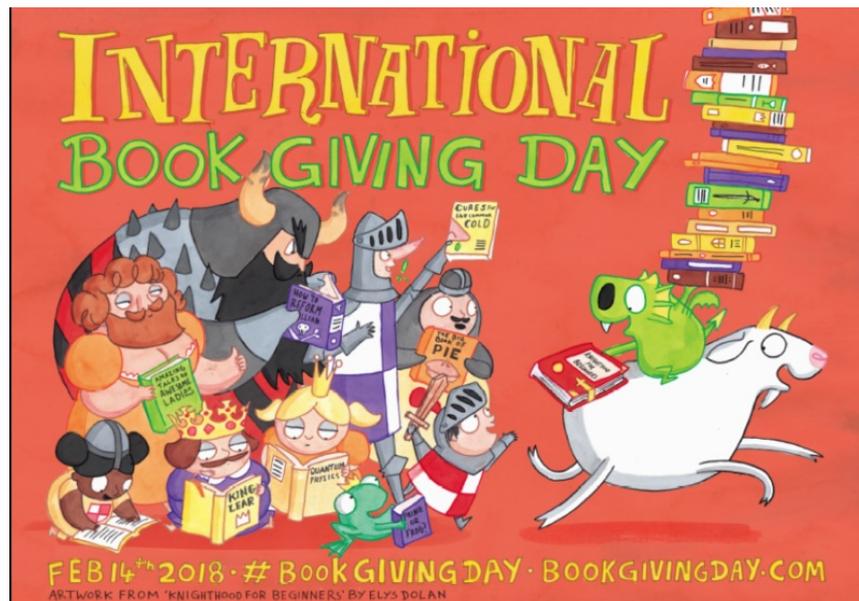


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## Announcements and Events

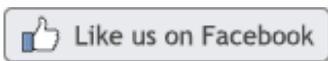


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We share lots of news, fun photos and opinion in between issues of Literacy This Week



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## More adult education resources

Adult educators in the Dehcho, and South Slave and Akaitcho regions met recently in Fort Smith. We compiled this list of their [favourite adult education resources](#).

## Wise women nominations close soon

The [NWT Status of Women Council](#) deadline for nominating wise women for awards is February 16, 2018 at noon.

## Call for presentations for Indigenous languages conference

The [Stabilizing Indigenous Languages Symposium](#) 2018 invites teachers, activists, students, and scholars to submit proposals for presentations or workshops. The Symposium is June 7-9, 2018 at the University of Lethbridge.

## Funding

### Environmental action fund open

[EcoAction Community Funding](#) program is accepting applications until March 21, 2018. Projects should engage Canadians in achieving results related to climate change or clean water.

### Funding to address gaps for survivors

[Status of Women Canada](#) is calling for concepts for projects that address gaps in supports for specific groups of survivors in Canada (including Indigenous women and their communities, and underserved populations). The deadline to apply is March 1, 2018.

## News, Opinion, and Research

### Dene heroes book wins funding prize

A project to enshrine Sahtu Dene heroes in a work of literature while giving youth literacy skills won \$100,000 from the Arctic Inspiration Prize...[Read more](#)

### Former Fort Smith priest writes book

Ann Bush, who served as the Anglican priest in Fort Smith for 11 years, has written a book about her life's journey...[Read more](#)

### Indigenous languages touted as subject for public schools

Including First Nations languages in public schools would be an easy but enormous step forward in the Truth and Reconciliation process, says a University of Victoria Indigenous scholar and co-author of a new book...[Read](#)

[more](#)

### **Canada must invest more in early childhood education, new report says**

A trend is emerging in education in Canada: We are recognizing that early childhood education is beneficial for children, for families, for everyone. Provinces and territories are focusing more attention on programs for preschoolers and the federal government is prepared to invest billions of dollars in child care...[Read more](#)

### **This simple solution to smartphone addiction is now used in over 600 U.S. schools**

Graham Dugoni was at a music festival in San Francisco in 2012 when he witnessed something that disturbed him. A man was dancing, uninhibited, perhaps drunk, losing himself in the moment. Some strangers thought it was funny, so they filmed it and uploaded it to YouTube...[Read more](#)

## **Resources and Websites**

### **Yukon Quest**

[Student challenge website](#)

### **Tips for using YouTube**

[To teach media literacy](#)

### **These 20 Valentine's Day crafts**

[Make great gifts](#)