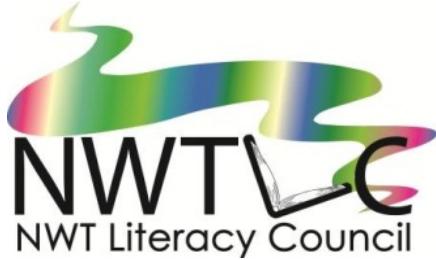


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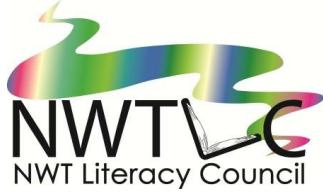
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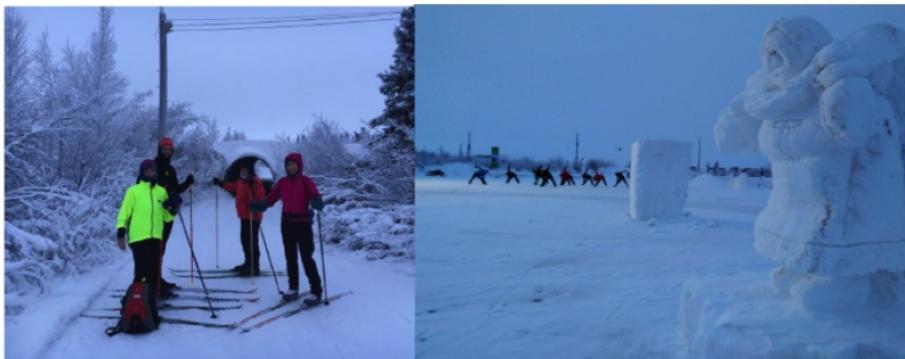
National Family Literacy Day - January 27

Our Blog

Skills for having fun

For the second year in a row, the sun didn't rise for the Inuvik Sunrise Festival.

The annual celebration signals the return of the sun after almost a month of only twilight and night. It's a full weekend of traditional dancing, a bonfire and fireworks, ice sculptures, and hot drinks, and is a staple activity of life in Inuvik...[Read more](#)



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Announcements and Events

Music Circle Thursdays in January

Join Mary Kelly for an hour each Thursday evening in Yellowknife for music. A great opportunity to have fun and practice English language skills.

Music Circle With Mary Kelly



We'll sing, make music and have fun together!

If you have an instrument, bring it!

Contact Mary (444-8341) or Karen (873-9262)

**Jan 4, 11, 18, 25
5:30-6:30 pm Thursdays
Aurora College, Room 308**



Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada

Immigration, Réfugiés et Citoyenneté Canada

Global Cooking is next week

Our Integration Program brings newcomers to Canada and longer-term Yellowknifers together to practice English and cook up tasty international food dishes. The [Global Cooking](#) event is Wednesday, January 17 from 12:45-3 pm at the Healthy Family Centre in Yellowknife.

Imagine Canada through a reconciliation lens

The National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation is calling on all young people to Imagine a Canada through the lens of reconciliation. Imagine a Canada is an invitation for students, from kindergarten to post-secondary, to share their vision with a poem, a song, a painting, a sculpture, a rap, a drawing, an essay, anything!...[Read more](#)

Take part in the Aurora College survey

The Government of the Northwest Territories is reviewing Aurora College. You can provide input into the review through an [online survey](#) until January 18, 2018.

Funding

Access for all to Yellowknife city facilities and buses

The City of Yellowknife [Access for All Program](#) provides free access to city drop-in recreational activities and buses for low income people. If approved, you get passes for one year. Apply online or in person at City Hall.

Canada summer jobs funding now open

You can submit your [Canada Summer Job](#) funding application online, by mail or in person at any Service Canada Centre. You are encouraged to apply online. The program provides wage subsidies to employers to create employment for secondary and post-secondary students. The application deadline is Friday, February 2, 2018.

Apply now for victims of crime funding

[Victims and Survivors of Crime Week](#) is held each spring to raise awareness about the issues facing victims and survivors of crime, and about the services, assistance and laws in place to help victims, survivors and their families. The deadline to apply for money to hold activities in your community is February 12, 2018.

Money for climate change preparation

The federal government has funding through the Climate Change and Health Adaptation Program to support communities to adapt to the health impacts of climate change. To access funding to be used by March 31, 2018, contact Miki at miki@nwtac.com or 867- 873-8359 to discuss project ideas. The deadline for proposals for this year is January 26, 2018.

News, Opinion, and Research

Access to early childhood programs is as important as primary education

The federal government has made it clear that it wants to foster inclusive economic growth, which includes reducing inequality and removing barriers to disadvantaged groups, such as women. Provincial governments would also like to achieve these noble goals. Greater investment in early childhood education can be a springboard to meeting such objectives...[Read more](#)

Do students have a 'right to read' in California? So argues this lawsuit

California's constitution contains a "right to literacy," and the state's top educators have failed to provide students in some of the state's lowest-performing schools the opportunity to achieve it, argues a lawsuit filed in state court..[Read more](#)

Using board games to help fight and understand bias

Quick, think of a physicist. If you're anything like me, you

probably didn't have to think very hard before the names Albert Einstein and Isaac Newton popped up. But what if I asked you to think of a female physicist? What about a black, female physicist?...[Read more](#)

and on a similar topic...

Why African board games should be introduced into the classroom

When most of us think about learning, we imagine a teacher and a classroom. In reality most of the things we know, and a great number of the skills we acquire as children and adults, are learned outside the classroom...[Read more](#)

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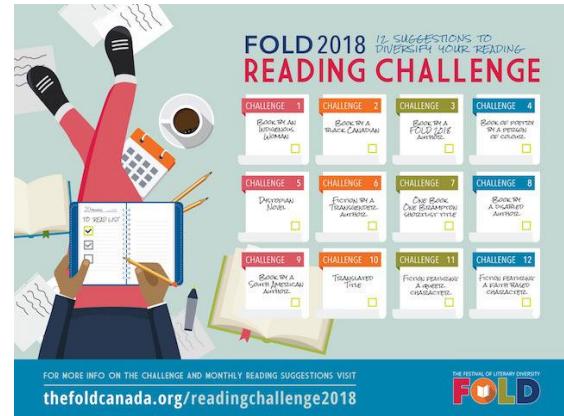
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