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# Literacy This Week

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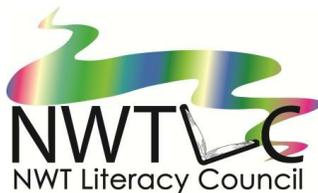
## Literacy Dates

National Family Literacy Day - January 27

## Our Blog

### Packing the e-reader: a reluctant conversion

When e-readers first started becoming popular, guest blogger, Jenny Aitken, was in the camp of people who rejected them. "I would go on extended (and likely quite boring) monologues about how they were going to destroy the publishing industry and wreak havoc on local book stores"...[Read more](#)



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

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## Announcements and Events

## Support Literacy



### Inspiration for 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

An American four-year-old [made the news](#) last week for reading 1000 books. She took part in a [1000 Books Before Kindergarten](#) program.

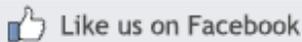
We want all NWT preschoolers to take part in this program too! Help

You can support literacy in the NWT

- [Make a donation](#)
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- Take part in literacy activities in your community

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### Nominate a wise woman

Do you know a wise woman who lives in the NWT? Nominate her for a [Wise Woman Award](#). These are given out each year by the Status of Women Council of the NWT. The nomination deadline is noon, February 13, 2017.

## Funding

### Protect species at risk

The [Species at Risk Stewardship Program](#) provides funding for projects that support the long-term protection and recovery of species that are at risk or of concern in the NWT. The deadline for applications is March 1, 2017.

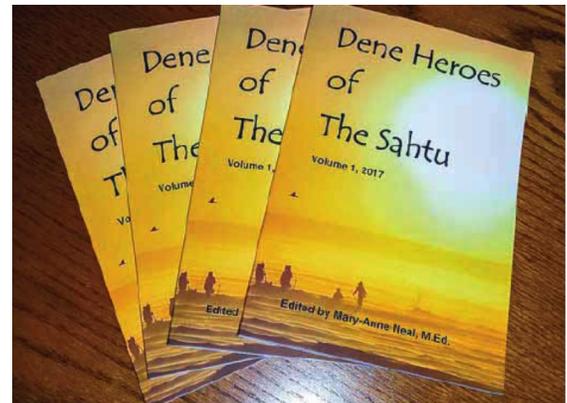
### NWT Arts Council funding open

The [NWT Arts Council](#) funds creative artistic projects in the visual, literary, media and performing arts. The next deadline for funding applications is February 28, 2017.

## News, Opinion, and Research

### Book celebrates notable folks from the Sahtu region

Jaydon Kakfwi says when he was asked to make a contribution to a new book honouring Dene heroes, he knew exactly who he would choose...[Read more](#)



### High school students offered jump on college career

Several Grade 11 and 12 students will be getting a jump on their college education when they begin an Introduction to Early Childhood Education course at Sir John Franklin High School early next month...[Read more](#)

### New research shows link between education savings and post-secondary education access and success

The Omega Foundation commissioned this research to better assess the influence of education savings and the federal government's savings incentive grants on post-secondary access...[Read more](#)

### The global toll of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome

Worldwide, an estimated 119,000 children are born with Fetal Alcohol Syndrome each year, a new study from the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health shows...[Read more](#)

### Two questions that determine your scientific literacy

There are a lot of claims going around the news lately that make one question whether, as a nation and a world, humanity is a scientifically literate species...[Read more](#)

## Resources and Websites

### **Early moments matter**

[UNICEF's new website on baby's first 1000 days](#)

### **Securing your digital life**

[A new resource for journalists and the rest of us](#)

### **What's hot in literacy**

[International Literacy Association annual report](#)

### **Parliament of Canada**

[Teacher resources](#)

