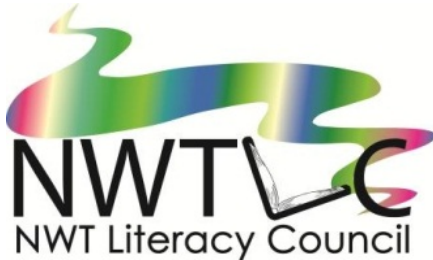


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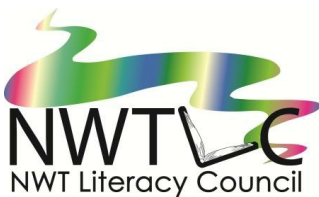
Safer Internet Day - February 6

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Our Blog

National Family Literacy Day 2018

This year marks Canada's 19th year of celebrating National Family Literacy Day each January 27. Family Literacy Day is a national initiative of ABC Life Literacy Canada to raise awareness of the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy-related activities as a family. Family Literacy Day reminds us to take time to learn together for the benefit of both adults and children...[Read more](#)



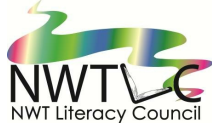
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Announcements and Events

'Tis the season for wellness fairs

We participate in as many community wellness fairs as we can. It's a great chance to meet new people and share our resources. Charlotte was in Jean Marie River this week, with a table of good things to share with families. She tried her hand at making drymeat too. We plan to be at fairs in Nahanni Butte, Colville Lake, Deline, and on the Kátl'odeeche Reserve in [February](#).



We'll be at the Festival of Silliness on Saturday

To celebrate National Family Literacy Day, we'll be at the Northern Arts and Culture Centre Saturday, January 27 with free activities for families from 2-4 pm. What are you doing to celebrate? We'd love to hear from you.

NWT Seniors Society seeks new boss

The [NWT Seniors Society](#) is hiring a new executive director. Submit your application by February 2, 2018.

Tłıchq hiring an early childhood director

The Tłıchq government is looking for people to apply by February 9, 2018 to [manage its programs related to early childhood development and education](#).

Funding

Funding to address gaps for survivors

[Status of Women Canada](#) is launching a call for concepts for projects addressing gaps in supports for specific groups of survivors in Canada (including Indigenous women and their communities, and underserved populations). The deadline to submit applications is noon March 1, 2018.

Family violence funding open

The RCMP's [Family Violence Initiative](#) is designed to reduce family violence in Canada. The RCMP will distribute funds to RCMP detachments, community organizations, and municipal, provincial and territorial partners. To prepare

to apply contact your local RCMP detachment or email jennifer.botham@rcmp-grc.gc.ca. The final deadline for applications is April 3, 2018.

News, Opinion, and Research

Northern writers win writing contest

After 53 entries from across the territory, Amélie Aubrey-Smith and Libby Whittall-Catling have finished in first and second place...[Read more](#)

Council of Yukon First Nations takes over Native Language Centre

The Yukon government is handing responsibility for its Indigenous language centre to the Council of Yukon First Nations, and Grand Chief Peter Johnston is pledging some profound changes...[Read more](#)

Comedy in the classroom? How improv can promote literacy

Since its first entry on the comedy scene in the 1950s, improvisational comedy, otherwise known as improv, has changed the world of comedy. But what does the rise of improv comedy have to do with classroom literacy instruction?...[Read more](#)

Schools around the world are now teaching kids to spot fake news

Do students need to learn about fake news? And more generally, should they learn how news is created and how to evaluate its credibility? Thousands of schools all over the world believe the answer is yes...[Read more](#)

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Sustainable event checklist

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Understanding social media privacy

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