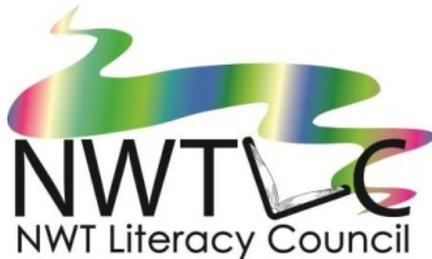


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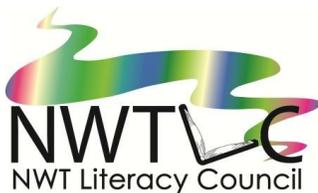
TD Canadian Children's Book Week - May 6-13

Intergenerational Day - June 1

Our Blog

One mom's favourite Canadian children's books

This is an exciting week for a lover of Canadian children's books, a proud mom, and a very thankful daughter. It's TD Canadian Children's Book Week, May 6-13. TD Canadian Children's Book Week celebrates the amazing work of Canadian authors...[Read more](#)



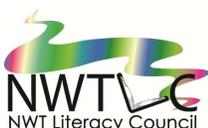
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Announcements and Events

Save the date!

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The [NorthWords Writers Festival](#) is June 1-4 in and around Yellowknife with readings and workshops in Behchokq, Dettah, Ndlıq and Hay River.

Submit your book recommendations for prizes

The Yellowknife Book Celler is looking for people to submit their 15 recommended Canadian books for its summer store display. There will be a draw for a "book bear" to be given away at the end of the project, and giveaways of gift cards from \$15 to \$150. Send your suggestions to [Judith](#).

Apply now for FOXY retreats

The 2017 [FOXY Peer Leader Retreats](#) for young women are

July 5-13 and August 9-17. Young NWT women between the ages of 13 to 17 years are invited to apply.

Funding

Apply now for NGO stabilization money

The [NWT Stabilization Fund](#) is short-term support to non-government organizations which deliver GNWT-funded programs and services critical to NWT residents. The deadline to apply is May 19, 2017.

June Get Active grants

[Get Active](#) funds community events that get people more physically active in the NWT. We want to help communities celebrate Recreation and Parks Month in June. Get Active

\$400 grants can help you organize and deliver a community-physically active event in June.

News, Opinion, and Research

The scientific case for reading to your 6-month-old

When your sweet, drooling baby seems more interested in chowing down on books than listening or looking at the pictures, it's easy for a parent to wonder...is my kid really getting anything out of this?...[Read more](#)

Dene students in Hay River learn in the classroom and on the land

A school's story of learning on the land has landed online - and appears to be striking a chord. A video made by songwriter Rik Leaf in collaboration with the Chief Sunrise Education Centre on the K'at'l'odeeche First Nation near Hay River has been viewed thousands of times since it was posted last week...[Read more](#)

Let's start thinking of parents as brain builders right from birth

At Read Aloud 15 MINUTES, we've recognized that too few parents understand the window of rapid brain development children experience between birth and age 3. As a result, many aren't engaging and interacting with their children as soon or as much as they should...[Read more](#)

Financial literacy programs work - if they're done right

Building Canadians' financial literacy is one important part of our mandate at the Financial Consumer Agency of Canada (FCAC). We define financial literacy as having the knowledge, skills and confidence to make informed financial decisions, and we encourage a healthy debate about how to achieve this outcome. It's in this spirit that I'd like to respond to an argument made by Daniel Munro in his recent Maclean's article, "How financial literacy programs can do more harm than good."...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites

100 must-read books about addiction

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