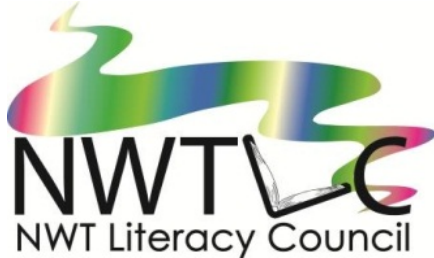


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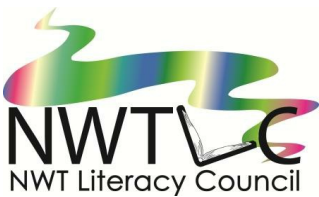
Literacy Dates

Financial Literacy Month - November
Universal Children's Day - November 20
Human Rights Day - December 10

Our Blog

Inuit PiusituKangit: Inuit Traditions

In October, I was fortunate to be able to attend the 20th Inuit Studies Conference in St. John's, Newfoundland. We were honoured to have our film, *Hivulipita Uqauhiit Tuppaaqtauffaaqtut: Awakening Our Ancestors' Words*, selected as part of the Katingavik Inuit Arts Festival ...[Read more](#)



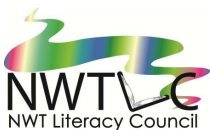
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Announcements and Events

Congratulations to our photo contest winner

Congratulations to our [1000 Books Before Kindergarten](#) photo contest winner Coralie Babin-Lavoie. We hope you enjoy your Family Literacy prize pack. A big thank you to all the parents that entered and shared photos. We loved looking through all the photos of your little ones reading; so much in fact that we will be having a second photo contest! Stay tuned for more information. In the meantime [check out some of the submitted photos](#).



Help Aurora College with its strategic planning

The Aurora College Board of Governors is developing a new strategic plan for 2017-2027. This plan will set the overall goals and direction for Aurora College for the next decade, set priorities and decide where energy and resources should be focused. You can provide your input through this [survey](#).

New online course on refugee rights

Amnesty International's new [online course on refugee rights](#) is now open for registration. Develop new skills and knowledge from experts and complete this thought-provoking course at your own pace. This free course is three weeks in length.



Healthy Living Fairs

John Bonnetrouge was one of many people to stop at our display at the Healthy Living Fair this week in Fort Providence. Thanks to everyone who visited with us at the fairs in Fort Providence and Deline. We were happy to share our resources and give away books and homemade play dough.

Funding

Rick Hansen accessibility grants

Through the [Access4All Initiative](#) Canadians are encouraged to identify accessibility barriers in public places in their communities and apply for funding from the Rick Hansen Foundation to remove them. You can submit applications for up to \$30,000 in funding for a Barrier Buster project, which includes an accessibility infrastructure improvement and a related community awareness building event. Applications are assessed on an ongoing basis with a final deadline of March 31, 2017.

On the land project funding available

The [NWT On the Land Collaborative Fund](#) brings together governments, charities and businesses to access money and resources for on the land activities. The application deadline is December 9, 2016.

News, Opinion, and Research

Northerners becoming more reliant on food banks: report

Northerners are becoming more reliant on food banks to get their next meal, according to this year's [Hunger Count report](#). Food Banks Canada says 863,492 people received food from a food bank in the country this past March. That's 1.3 per cent higher than it was in March 2015 and 28 per cent higher than in 2008...[Read more](#)

Finland will become the first country in the world to get rid of all school subjects

Finland's education system is considered one of the best in the world. In international ratings, it's always in the top ten. However, the authorities there aren't ready to rest on their laurels, and they've decided to carry through a real revolution in their school system...[Read more](#)

Free app helps families improve kids' literacy with fun activity ideas

The Centre for Family Literacy has added even more activities to its free app Flit (families learning and interacting together) and it's now available for both Apple and Android devices. But using Flit doesn't mean children are glued to tablets and smartphones. In fact, it means exactly the opposite...[Read more](#)

Teaching in the age of Trump

When Heather Stewart left home and headed to her third-grade classroom Wednesday morning, she wasn't sure what to do. As the dust from the presidential election settled, teachers across the country

grappled with the question: How do I talk to my students about what just happened?...[Read more](#)

Canadian kids get D- in physical activity, study finds

It's well-established that Canadian children are not as active as they could be. Now a new study suggests they may be among the least active kids in the world...[Read more](#)

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