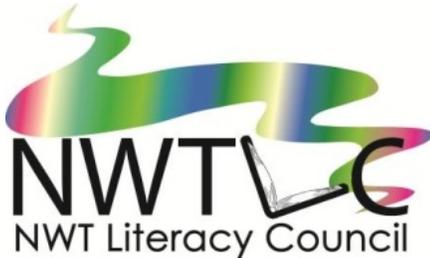


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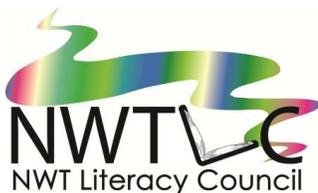
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Our Blog

Residential school legacy belongs to all of us

The lasting impacts of residential schools were brought home this past weekend. Maggie Mercredi facilitated a half-day workshop about the residential school legacy for our board and staff members.

Indigenous and non-Indigenous participants had varied experiences and exposure to the residential school legacy. We shared some laughter, amidst emotional reactions of sadness, hurt, discomfort and pain...[Read more](#)



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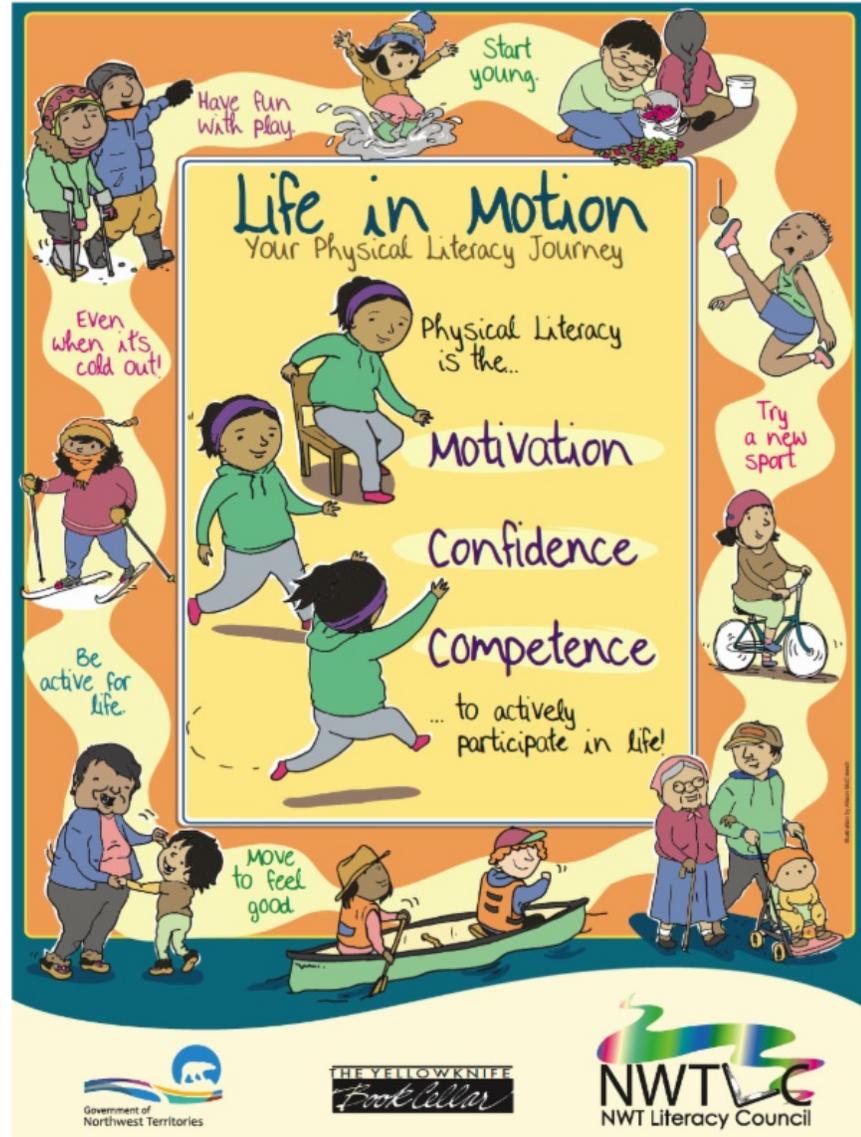
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Announcements and Events

Welcome to the world of physical literacy

Many NWT communities and community groups have events planned next week to mark NWT Literacy Week. We just learned that [Collective Soul Space](#) in Yellowknife will offer a free meditation class next Tuesday, September 26 at 7:15 pm. The theme for the week is Physical Literacy: Life in Motion. Learn more about physical literacy at our brown bag lunch Monday at noon and get free books at the Post Office Wednesday at noon.



Same board members, some different positions

Our vice-chair and secretary switched roles at our Annual General meeting on the weekend. Suzanne Robinson, of Yellowknife, will be the new secretary, and Beverly Garven, of Inuvik, will be our new vice-president.



Adult education courses available at a distance

Aurora College is offering two [Certificate in Adult Education](#) courses through distance learning this fall. Adult Learning Theory is offered Tuesday evenings starting September 26. Program Planning is offered Thursday evenings, also starting next week. Contact khorn@auroracollege.nt.ca or call 867-920-8802 to register.

Physical literacy gathering in Hay River

The [Mackenzie Recreation Association](#) is holding a Physical Literacy Summit November 7-9 in Hay River.

Funding

Aviva welcomes idea submissions

The [Aviva Community Fund](#) is looking for ideas that need money. The deadline for submissions is October 2, 2017. After that people vote for their favourite ideas. For the first time Aviva has a new category for young social entrepreneurs.

Funding for physical activity

The NWT Department of Municipal and Community Affairs provides [Active After School](#) funding for physical activities after school. The NWT Recreation and Parks Association is accepting applications for [Get Active](#) grants. These grants are for community events that get people more physically active in the NWT, especially during the winter months. You can also get help to run an [Elders in Motion](#) program in your community.

News, Opinion, and Research

Is it fake news? A new program aims to enhance media literacy among Canadian students

A classroom program aimed at teaching Canadian elementary and high school students how to detect fake news is under development. This is needed in an era in which almost anyone can publish information, say the groups behind the initiative...[Read more](#)

Ontario university opens office in Yellowknife

Wilfred Laurier University opens an office in Yellowknife next week, with full time staff and researchers...[Read more](#)

The effect of play-based instruction on the development of play skills and oral language

This study looked at the influence of a play-based curriculum on the development of pretend play skills and oral language in children attending their first year of formal schooling. Two groups of children were followed across the first six months of their first year at school...[Read more](#)

Demand for teachers of Indigenous languages is on the rise

A trend toward "Indigenizing" programming in schools by bringing Indigenous culture and languages into the classroom has led to a demand for teachers who are fluent in Indigenous languages. But with the number of Indigenous language speakers on the decline...[Read more](#)

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