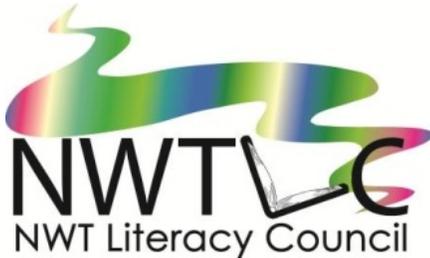


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# Literacy This Week

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## Literacy Dates

NWT Literacy Week - September 24-30

Orange Shirt Day - September 30

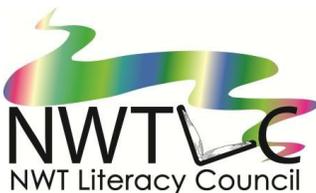
Canadian Libraries Month - October

International Plain Language Day - October 13

## Our Blog

### What a great way to celebrate NWT Literacy Week

Diavik Diamond Mine donated \$15,000 late last week to support literacy in the communities where its NWT workers are based...[Read more](#)



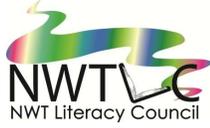
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## Support Literacy



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- [Join the Council](#)
- Take part in literacy activities in your community

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## Announcements and Events

### NWT Literacy Week events continue

We funded 13 communities to hold NWT Literacy Week events this year. And, the fun continues across the NWT. We're having a Family Physical Literacy Fun Night Friday from 5:30-7:30 at the Fieldhouse in Yellowknife. Earlier in the day, we'll host Lunch with a Bunch with Yellowknife seniors at the Baker Centre.



Jessica VanOverbeek and Charlotte Upton at the Physical Literacy Brown Bag Lunch Monday during NWT Literacy Week. Thanks to MLA Julie Green for her contribution to this event.

## Amnesty International readers choice vote

Amnesty International invites readers to vote on the readers' choice novel. Ten titles were nominated by [Amnesty International Book Club](#) members. Voting ends Saturday, September 30, 2017.

## Family violence videos online

The NWT Department of Health and Social Services has created four videos to address myths around family violence. You can provide feedback about the [What Will It Take videos](#) through a [short survey](#).

## Funding

### Credit Education Week funding for November events

The [Credit Education Week 2017 Community Collaboration Fund](#) assists community agencies to help Canadians learn about and look after their personal finances with the ultimate goal of financial wellness. Applications for up to \$700 to host events November 6-10 are due tomorrow, September 29, 2017.

## News, Opinion, and Research

### NWT Literacy Week news coverage

The group behind the annual NWT Literacy Week says it's time to get physical. Although literacy is commonly known as the ability to read and write, it's also defined as the knowledge in a specified area...[Read more](#)

### Literacy Award winners honoured



Pam Walsh, with the South Slave Divisional School Board, received a NWT Literacy Champion Award this week. The youth award was given to Myles Barry, of Yellowknife. A former Aurora College instructor in Inuvik, Tiffany Dwyer, received the educator award.

### Inuvik man named to poverty advisory

## **committee**

Joseph Amos, the manager of the Inuvik Emergency Warming Centre, has been named to the federal Advisory Committee on Poverty. He and 16 other members will provide expert advice on poverty...[Read more](#)

## **Public education 'school fees': A look at what parents are paying across Canada**

It's been over a decade since the British Columbia Supreme Court outlawed "school fees" in the public system for course materials, trips, or textbooks required for children's graduation. But 11 years later, parents are still paying for what's supposed to be a taxpayer funded, mandatory service

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## **Moving when young may strengthen the adult brain**

Being active in youth may change the inner workings of brain cells much later in life and sharpen some types of thinking, according to a remarkable new neurological study involving rats...[Read more](#)

## **Resources and Websites**

### **A kid's guide to Canada**

[By kids, for kids](#)

### **Resources for teachers, kids, others**

[For Banned Book Week](#)

### **Financial ESL Literacy**

[Toolkit](#)

### **10 things every white teacher should know**

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