

# Literacy This Week

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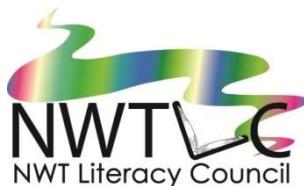
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We're the family, youth and adult literacy and essential skills centre for excellence.

We support literacy and essential skills in all the official languages of the Northwest Territories.

We're also plain language specialists.

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## Literacy Dates

Aboriginal Languages Month - March

World Poetry Day - March 21

Adult Learner's Week - March 29 - April 6

## Our Blog

### Check out our Aboriginal language resources

Aboriginal Languages Month is a perfect time to highlight the Aboriginal language resources on our website. We have family literacy resources in all the Aboriginal languages...[Read more](#)

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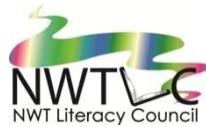


## Announcements and Events

### Youth learn financial literacy at regional conference

Thanks to all the students who came to our financial literacy workshops in Fort Simpson this week at the Mackenzie Regional Youth Conference. We really enjoyed working with these students. We took the opportunity to also spread the word in the community about the [Canada Learning Bond](#). This federal program provides lower income families with money for their childrens' education, even if families do not put any of their own money into a Registered Education Savings Plan.

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Thanks to Emily (pictured above) and Gloria, with the Dehcho First Nations ASETS program. They shared our adult education and other resources at the Fort Simpson Career Fair this week.

### Literacy Matters is now online

The winter issue of [Literacy Matters](#) is now on our website. Contact [communications@nwtliteracy.ca](mailto:communications@nwtliteracy.ca) if you want *Literacy Matters* delivered to your email inbox. Find out how you can help us plan our future, by giving us input into a new strategic plan.

### International Women's Day on March 8

Inspiring Change is the 2014 theme for this [internationalwomensday.com](http://internationalwomensday.com) global hub and encourages advocacy for women's advancement everywhere in every way. It calls for challenging the status quo for women's equality and vigilance inspiring positive change. What's happening in your community?

### Computer training at the Salvation Army

Free basic computer skills walk-in training started this week at the Salvation Army in Yellowknife. The pilot program is each weekday 10 am to noon and 2 pm to 4 pm. Call 766-3400 for information.

## Funding

### Healthy Children's Initiative

The [Healthy Children's Initiative](#) enhances community early childhood education programs. Contact your regional early childhood consultant with NWT Education, Culture and Employment.

### Family Literacy funding

We accept proposals for family literacy projects on an ongoing basis. Contact us at 1-866-599-6758 or email

[pat@nwtliteracy.ca](mailto:pat@nwtliteracy.ca) or visit our website for the [program criteria, application and](#)

[reporting form.](#)

## News and Research

### **First college adult education course for Enterprise**

*NNSL, February 24, 2014*

If all goes according to plan Aurora College will offer its first adult education course in Enterprise next month...[Read more](#)

### **Why you should read novels**

*Cambridge News, March 5, 2014*

With so many distractions that are designed specifically to hold our attention we need some strong arguments to motivate ourselves and others to value spending time reading novels...[Read more](#)

### **Ottawa, provinces reach deal on Canada Job Grant**

*Globe and Mail, February 28, 2014*

After some last minute arm-twisting with Nova Scotia, federal Employment Minister Jason Kenney has secured a deal with all provinces and territories except Quebec to launch a Canada Job Grant...[Read more](#)

### **Here's a winner: the Forest of Reading**

With the perennial concern that kids just aren't into reading anymore (some never were), educators and parents are always on the look-out for programs that will encourage little Abby or Abe to pick up a book or ereader...[Read more](#)

## Resources and Websites

### **Keeping the language alive**

[A BC school board uses apprentices and technology \(video\)](#)

### **Who is dependent on welfare**

[A new way to look at poverty and inequality \(video\)](#)

### **Imagine Canada narrative toolkit**

[Help to talk about the charities and non-profits](#)

### **The school-ready child**

[Infographic](#)

