

Literacy This Week

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Literacy Dates

Aboriginal Languages Month - March

Adult Learners' Week - March 29 - April 6

Talk With Our Kids About Money Day - April 16

Our Blog

Three things you can do during Aboriginal languages month

Aboriginal Languages Month is a perfect time to make sure you are writing NWT place names, such as Łutselk'e and Délı̨ne correctly...[Read more](#)



Announcements and Events

Enter our Adult Learners' Week photo contest

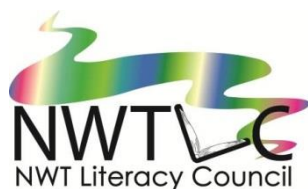
We had so much fun with our photo contest last year, that we're doing it again.

Enter a photo that tells us 'Who are you learning from' for a chance to win a Kobo eReader. You can post your photo on our [Facebook](#) page or send it to nwtliteracy@nwtliteracy.ca and we'll post it for you.

It's time to nominate literacy award winners

The Department of Education, Culture and Employment is accepting nominations for youth, adult learners, educators and groups who promote literacy in any of the NWT's official languages. The deadline for nominations for the [2014 NWT Literacy Awards](#) is May 31, 2014.

2014 NWT
LITERACY AWARDS



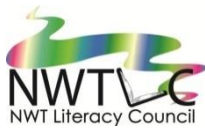
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We support literacy and essential skills in all the official languages of the Northwest Territories.

We're also plain language specialists.

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Nominate outstanding volunteers

The deadline for the [NWT Outstanding Volunteers Awards](#) nominations is March 31, 2014. You can nominate someone for a [Prime Minister's Volunteer Award](#) until May 9, 2014.

Check out our updates on other social media

There is never enough room in [Literacy This Week](#) for all the news and interesting tidbits we come across. Follow us on [Twitter](#) or Like our [Facebook](#) page to keep in touch.

Funding

Waste reduction and recycling funding

Do you have an idea for a way to reduce waste or increase recycling of materials in your community? The Department of Environment and Natural Resources has a new funding program, the [Waste Reduction and Recycling Initiative](#). The deadline for applications is April 14, 2014.

Canada Post community grants

The [Canada Post Community Foundation](#) funds community projects with a focus on children and youth. The deadline for applications is April 17, 2014.

News and Research

Food insecurity requires urgent attention in northern Canada

In 2011, off-reserve Aboriginal households in Canada were about twice as likely as other Canadian households to be food insecure. Finding lasting solutions will require the involvement not just of policy-makers but of those most affected by food insecurity: people living in the North...[Read more](#)

Why it's time to show failure some respect

Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland, is providing a fresh take on the concept of failing better...[Read more](#)

Drawing as literacy

Imagine if our grade school teachers had compared our early school essays to the work of Steinbeck or Kerouac and suggested we just give it up for lack of talent. We would have a crisis of illiteracy on our hands. However, this is essentially the approach we take with drawing in our children's' early education...[Read more](#)

No child left behind: Subsidized child care and children's long-run outcomes

This article from the American Economic Journal shows that "subsidized child care had strong positive effects on children's educational attainment and labor market participation, and also reduced welfare dependency"...[Read more](#)

Inequality: the challenge of the century

The link between economic inequality and overall well-being is clear. But the issue

of inequality is far wider than that. Inequality is not simply about poverty. It's about the failure to provide everyone with access to opportunities, to public services, to a work-life balance...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites

How Stuff Works

[For all us lifelong learners](#)

Personal credit for education

[For Common Experience Payment recipients](#)

Bullying and peer victimization

[Book suggestions and lesson plans](#)

National Poetry Month

poets.ca

