

Literacy This Week

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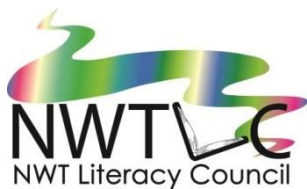
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We're the family, youth and adult literacy and essential skills centre for excellence.

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

TD Canadian Children's Book Week - May 3-10

World Press Freedom Day - May 3

Disability Awareness Week - June 2-8

Our Blog

Book your financial literacy workshop now!

Book your financial literacy workshop with us before our funding runs out at the end of June.

Our popular two-day workshops offer a good introduction to financial basics...[Read more](#)



Announcements and Events

Tomorrow is the deadline to apply to work with us this summer

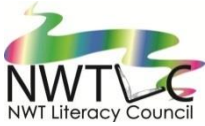
We're hiring a summer student to help prepare resource materials for publication and to work on summer literacy events. Applicants must be full-time students, under 30 years of age, and intending to return to their studies in the fall. Please send resumes to nwtliteracy@nwtliteracy.ca by Friday, May 2, 2014.

Canada Learning Bond Open House on May 12

Come to our [open house](#) to find out if your child qualifies for the [Canada Learning Bond](#) - up to \$2,000 in free money for post-secondary education. Two banks, CIBC and Bank of Montreal, and Service Canada will also be there to help parents navigate setting up a Registered Education Savings Plan. We will have a child play area and food. The open house is Monday, May 12 from 3 to 7 pm at Northern United Place in Yellowknife. For information contact katie@nwtliteracy.ca or 1-866-599-6758.

Nominations are open for disability awards

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The [NWT Disabilities Council](#) is accepting nominations for four awards until May 12, 2014. The awards go annually to people and organizations who have helped increase accessibility for people with disabilities or otherwise improved their lives.

Summer Institute 2014: Exploring PIAAC Data The [Summer Institute](#) is the third in a series of bilingual institutes to explore the meaning and uses of international adult literacy and skills surveys, from IALS to PIAAC.

Funding

NGO Stabilization Fund deadline this month

The [NGO Stabilization Fund](#) provides short term support to NGOs who deliver critical GNWT funded programs and services to NWT residents. The deadline to apply this year is May 23, 2014.

Family Service Community Grants

[Autism Speaks Canada](#) grants funds to organizations with charitable status in Canada that provide services which enrich the lives of individuals with autism spectrum disorders. The deadline for letters of intent is May 7, 2014.

News and Research

Picking up toys pays off for new author

News North, April 28, 2014

Fort Simpson author Victoria Phillips knows best when it comes to teaching children to clean up after themselves...[Read more](#)

Inspired youth pushes for food security

Yellowknifer, April 30, 2014

It was through an advertisement that 10-year-old Anna Seagrave first heard about Malala Yousafzai - the

teenage Pakistani education activist who was shot by a Taliban gunman on her way to school in October 2012...

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Promoting literacy through sport

In the spirit of sport, and with a view to using it as a tool to help grow literacy, the Sunderland Association Football Club and representatives from the Nelson Mandela Foundation recently visited St Matthews Secondary School in Soweto...[Read more](#)



Experts still divided over benefits of full-day kindergarten four years after roll out

London Free Press, April 18, 2014

When Ontario gambled on full-day kindergarten in 2010, critics called it costly babysitting the deficit-plagued province couldn't afford. Advocates - and many parents, freed of day care costs - cheered...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites

The state of northern knowledge in Canada

[A new report from the Canadian Polar Commission](#)



Free expression in Canada

[2013-14 review identifies disturbing issues](#)

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