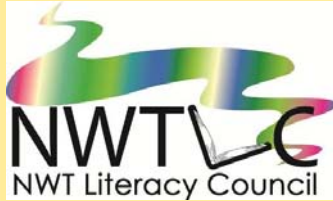


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Literacy Dates

TD Canadian Children's Book Week - May 4-11

Mental Health Week - May 6-12

Disability Awareness Week - June 3-9

Seniors' Week - June 9-15

Announcements and Events

Nominate someone for NWT Literacy Award by May 15

Nominating someone for an [NWT Literacy Award](#) is a great way to acknowledge the efforts of adult learners, educators, literacy groups and youth learners. Don't delay. The deadline is May 15!



Share your experiences in Literacy Worker survey

The deadline for the Literacy and [Essential Skills Workforce Survey](#) was extended to May 17 to allow more time for people to take part. Northern and Aboriginal literacy workers are underrepresented in the survey so far. Make sure your voice is heard.

Call for Submissions - World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

The Gallery on 47th Street in Yellowknife is seeking submissions for a non-commercial exhibition of art work to be displayed for World Elder Abuse

News and Research

Dechinta, a land-based university where "classes" are all day

Literacy Matters, April, 2013

The Dechinta Centre for Research and Learning is filling a gap in the education options available in the NWT...[Read more](#)

Canada's aboriginal population is young and growing fast

Toronto Star, May 8, 2013

New data from Statistics Canada reveal the aboriginal population grew by 20 per cent between 2006 and 2011..[Read more.](#)

How My Learning Disability Affected My Mental Health

Huffington Post, May 7, 2013

I was born with severe learning disabilities. This restricted my learning, my experiences, the way I perceived the world, and in turn how I was perceived...[Read more](#)

Paul Martin launches program at Fort Simpson school

Northern Journal, May 6, 2013

Fort Simpson's Thomas Simpson Secondary School became the first in the North to have high school students access Paul Martin's Aboriginal Youth Entrepreneurship Program...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites

Literacy and Essential Skills

[A timeline shows how the field has developed](#)

Family Literacy and Health

[Explores the relationship and possibilities of collaboration](#)

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