

Literacy This Week

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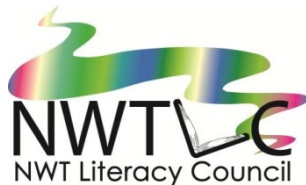
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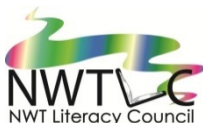
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We support literacy and essential skills in all the official languages of the Northwest Territories.

We're also plain language specialists.

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Support Literacy



You can support literacy in the NWT

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

Literacy Dates

International Day of Peace - September 21

NWT Literacy Week - September 22-28

Essential Skills Day - September 27

Culture Days - September 27-29

Announcements and Events

Celebrate NWT Literacy Week

Celebrate NWT Literacy Week in your community starting this Sunday. Check with your library, school or early childhood program for events. This year we encourage you to spend 15 minutes to improve your financial literacy. We put together [15 Ways to Start Thinking Financially](#) to give you some ideas!

Literacy Fair, Learners' Luncheon and More!

In Yellowknife, the annual Adult Learners' Luncheon and honouring of literacy award winners will be Tuesday, in Yellowknife. On Thursday, drop by the Literacy Fair at the Tree of Peace between 11 am and 3 pm. There will be free coffee, bannock and books! We're looking forward to Lunch with a Bunch on Friday with the Yellowknife Seniors Society. Literacy Week wraps up on Saturday with [Financial Fun for Families](#) at Mildred Hall School from 1:30-3:30 pm. See our [Yellowknife event poster](#) for more!

2013 Life Literacy Canada Awards Announced

The [Life Literacy Award](#) winners will be honoured at a gala event this evening. A number of community programs across Canada will be recognized.

ArtsSmarts Seeks Youth for Adjudication Committee

ArtsSmarts is seeking submissions from grade 9 to 12 students across Canada for its [Youth Committee](#). Members will adjudicate the Youth Creativity Challenge. To nominate someone or yourself, contact Ava at 416-848-

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Funding

Win an Outdoor Classroom

To help get kids excited about learning and being outdoors, the [MAJESTA Trees of Knowledge Competition](#) is back for its fourth year. From now until January 20, 2014, Canadian schools can enter for their chance to win an outdoor classroom valued at \$20,000. From all the submissions, 10 finalist schools will be selected. Canadians will get four weeks to vote online daily to help their favourite school come out on top and take home the \$20,000 outdoor classroom.

Museum Assistance Program

The [Museum Assistance Program](#) is accepting funding applications until November 1, 2013. Applicants are encouraged to contact a program officer directly before submitting an application. You can contact 1-306-780-7656 or kate.johnson@pch.gc.ca

News and Research



We're Helping Students Tell Digital Stories

David and Katie were in Fort Providence this week helping students tell the story of their summer canoe trip with the NWT Parks and Recreation Association. As you can see from this photo, they saw bison while in the community. In the next month they will deliver digital storytelling workshops in Fort McPherson and

Fort Liard as well.

Children's First Centre Opens in Inuvik

Northern Journal, September 16, 2013

A handful of Inuvik youngsters cut the ribbon last Monday as politicians stood by, officially opening the highly-anticipated Children's First Centre, Inuvik's new, state of the art childcare facility...[Read more](#)

Educational Speaker Shares Brain Magic in SSDEC Schools

*Northern Journal,
September 16, 2013*

Armed with nearly 30 years of teaching experience, a background in cognitive psychology, charisma and a little bit of magic, educational presenter Terry Small



brought a simple message to five communities in the South Slave region last week: how to get better grades in school...[Read more](#)

E-readers Are More Effective Than Print for Some with Dyslexia

E-readers are fast rivaling print as a dominant method for reading. Because they offer accessibility options that are impossible in print, they are potentially beneficial for those with impairments, such as dyslexia...[Read more](#)

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Aboriginal Student Resources

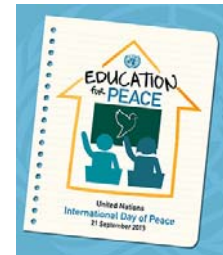
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