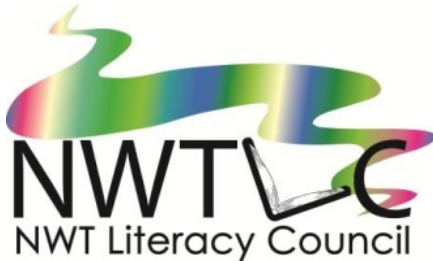


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## Literacy Dates

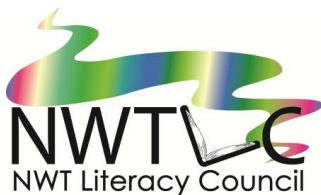
Intergenerational Day - June 1

National Aboriginal Day - June 21

## Our Blog

### Why the 'family' in family literacy?

Literacy is a life long journey. It begins at birth with parents talking, singing, cooking, making things, reading, playing games, telling stories and sharing experiences with their child. At the NWT Literacy Council, we call this stage of the literacy journey "family literacy" ...[Read more](#)



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

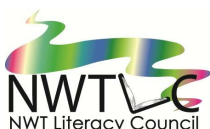
We support literacy and essential skills in all the official languages of the Northwest Territories.

We're also plain language specialists.

[Check out our website to learn more](#)



## Support Literacy



## Announcements and Events


**1000 Books Before Kindergarten**

You can support literacy in the NWT

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

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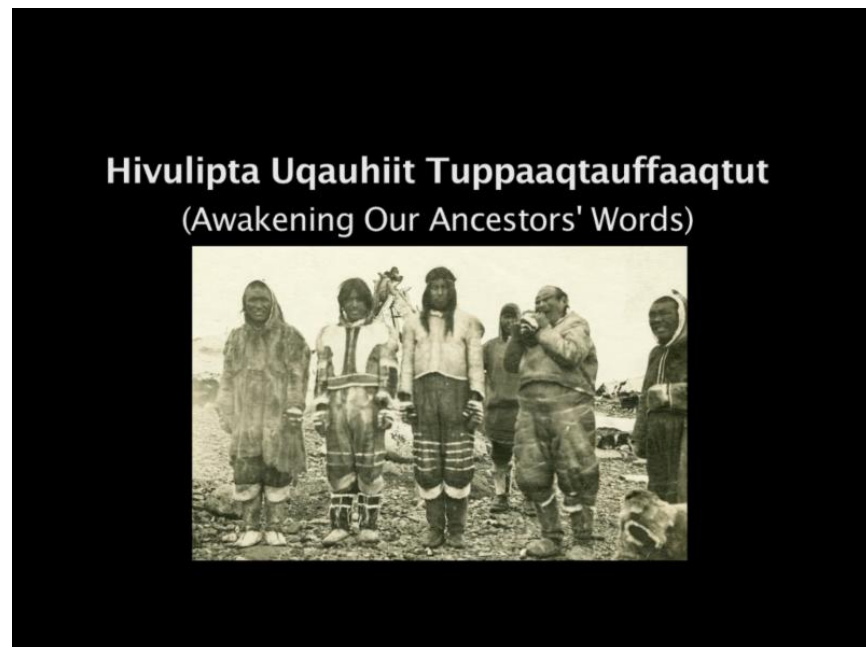
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Our Family Literacy Coordinator, Charlotte Upton, and John Mutford, from the Yellowknife Public Library, were on CKLB Radio this week promoting [1000 Books Before Kindergarten](#). As Charlotte says, "it's very doable." ...[Listen here](#)

## New video about British Museum trip is now online

We're excited that you can now watch a video about our 2012 trip to the British Museum in England. [Hivulipta Uqauhiit Tuppaqtauffaaqtut \(Awakening Our Ancestors' Words\)](#) video chronicles the fascinating and sometimes emotional experience of elders and traditional knowledge experts from Cambridge Bay and Ulukhaktok as they handle the largest and oldest collection of Inuinait artifacts.



## Inuvialuit communities introduced to digital library

The Inuvialuit Cultural Resource Centre is touring the Beaufort-Delta communities to show residents the new [Digital Library North](#). The tour started yesterday and ends May 26, 2017. The library features some of the resources produced by the resource centre, including language lessons, videos, and books in the three Inuvialuktun dialects.

## Funding

### Individuals can apply now for residential school funding

The [National Indian Brotherhood Trust Fund](#) is accepting applications for education programs aimed at healing, reconciliation and knowledge building. The deadline to apply is June 2, 2017.

## **Apply now for money for seniors programs**

Does your group want to help seniors make a difference in the lives of others and in their communities? Do you have a project that could be led or inspired by seniors? The deadline for [New Horizons for Seniors](#) funding for community projects is June 23, 2017.

## **News, Opinion, and Research**

### **The cultural appropriation debate isn't about free speech - it's about context**

Indigenous writer Alicia Elliott explains why 'free speech' arguments ignore Canada's history of oppression...[Read more](#)

### **Want to be a good parent? Let your children be bored**

From books, arts and sports classes to iPads and television, many parents do everything in their power to entertain and educate their children. But what would happen if children were just left to be bored from time to time? How would it affect their development?...[Read more](#)

### **Access to child care is fundamental to women's economic security in Canada: What needs to happen**

This brief takes as a starting point that 21st century women's economic security is closely linked to decently paid employment. Thus, access to child care is fundamental to advancing women's economic security in Canada...[Read more](#)

### **What a new university in Africa is doing to decolonise social sciences**

It's not often that you get to create a new university from scratch: space, staff - and curriculum. But that's exactly what we're doing in Mauritius, at one of Africa's newest higher education institutions. And decoloniality is central to our work...[Read more](#)

## **Resources and Websites**

### **10 things to know about social assistance**

[Calgary Homelessness Foundation](#)

### **60 Indigenous writers to read**

[Recommended to CBC Books](#)

### **59 useful mobile apps & online tools**

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**12 inspiring STEM books**  
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