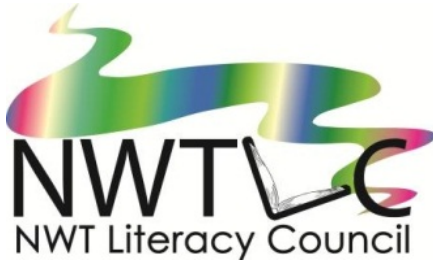


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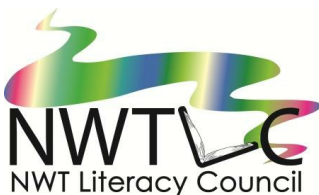
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## Support Literacy

## Literacy Dates

Senior Citizens' Month - June

Canada Day - July 1

International Literacy Day - September 8

NWT Literacy Week - September 24-30

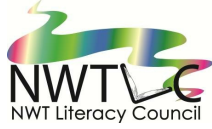
## Our Blog

### Indspire laureates inspire others on to post-secondary education

The Indspire Youth Laureates Cross Canada Tour made a stop in Yellowknife Tuesday, with three laureates sharing their inspirational stories of post-secondary education. These speakers are taking different educational paths, but had common struggles. They shared tips for success with Indigenous students...[Read more](#)



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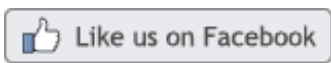


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- Take part in literacy activities in your community

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## We're taking a summer break

This is the last Literacy This Week until the fall. We wish everyone a wonderful and safe summer. You can keep tabs on us and literacy events, funding and other good stuff on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

## Try out Inuit games next week

We're hosting an [Inuit games interactive presentation](#) at the Yellowknife Farmers Market Tuesday, June 27 at 6 pm. This is a Get Active event to mark Recreation and Parks Month. Join Veronica McDonald and try out some Inuit games.

## We want your suggestions for our website

We hope to upgrade our [website](#). What would you like changed? How can we make it easier for you to find things? Get in touch by emailing [nwtliteracy@nwtliteracy.ca](mailto:nwtliteracy@nwtliteracy.ca) or call 1-866-599-6758.

## Start planning for NWT Literacy Week

The theme for NWT Literacy Week 2017 is physical literacy. We'll be sending out literacy week packages in August along with our fall newsletter, [Literacy Matters](#). Contact us to make sure you are on our mailing list or check our [website](#) for updates.

## Funding

### Accessibility grants available

Funding is available to improve accessibility and safety for people with a disability in your community or workplace. Your organization or business could receive a grant of up to \$50,000 through the Government of Canada's [Enabling Accessibility Fund](#). The deadline to apply is July 26, 2017.

### Education funding for Inuvialuit

The [Inuvialuit Education Foundation](#) supports Inuvialuit beneficiaries to further their education. It offers tutoring funding to schools in the Inuvialuit region and post-secondary education assistance and scholarships.

## News, Opinion, and Research

### 'A real shame': NWT organizations not tapping into federal accessibility fund

A Yellowknife woman with multiple sclerosis says it's a shame people in the territory aren't tapping into a federal accessibility fund available to them. The Enabling Accessibility Fund was created in 2007, but Elizabeth Portman says there have only been 27 applications from NWT organizations to date...[Read more](#)

### **Northern youth involved in Katimavik relaunch**

The Katimavik youth volunteer services program hopes to relaunch itself with a focus on reconciliation, and it is turning, in part, to Cree youth from the James Bay region of Quebec and the Tłı̨chǫ Nation to make it happen...[Read more](#)

### **Canada's Indigenous lands added to Google Maps, Google Earth**

A massive, multi-phase update is allowing Indigenous people in Canada to see their lands - including 3,100 First Nations reserves and treaty settlement lands - outlined on Google Maps and Google Earth for the first time...[Read more](#)

### **Circles for Reconciliation is reconciliation in action**

The premise is simple: a group of Indigenous and non-Indigenous people meet 10 times, sit in a circle, and talk. What they talk about, however, is anything but simple. Topics like Indian residential schools, forgiveness from an Indigenous perspective, intergenerational trauma, and what reconciliation means to each person are discussed...[Read more](#)

## **Resources and Websites**

### **Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples**

[Digital data base of RCAP holdings](#)

### **Four tech tools to deal with staff turnover**

[TechSoup Canada](#)

### **Indigenous Canada**

[12-lesson open online course](#)

### **High interest, low vocabulary books**

[For youth and adults](#)