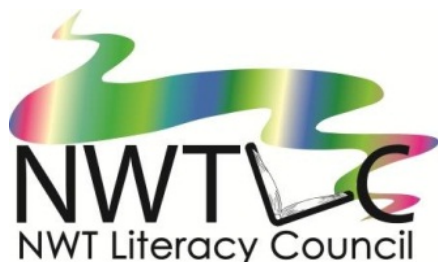


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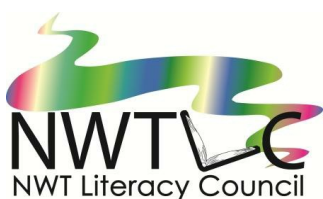
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Literacy Dates

Freedom to Read Week - February 25-March 3

Pink Shirt Day - February 28

Indigenous Languages Month - March

Our Blog

Writing a song in Tsiigehtchic

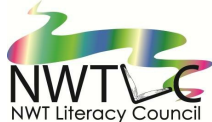
Earlier this month the Grade 6-9 class at Chief Paul Niditchie School in Tsiigehtchic learned how to write and record an original rap song. Working with Hip Hop duo, Mob Bounce, students participated in a workshop called, "Hip Hop and a Sacred Space" ...[Read more](#)



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Announcements and Events

Ladies swim

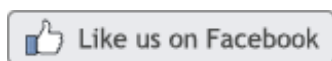


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Our Integration Program has organized a [ladies-only swim](#) at the Ruth Inch Pool for Friday evening, from 8:30-9:30 pm. For more information call Karen at 873-9262 or email Karen@nwtliteracy.ca.

Free Friday gymnastics

We've organized [free gymnastics](#) sessions at the Yellowknife Multiplex each Friday afternoon from 1:30 to 2:30. This is an opportunity for parents to connect while their children play. For more information, call 873-9262 or email Karen@nwtliteracy.ca.

Campaign school for women

The Government of the Northwest Territories is holding [campaign schools for women](#) in Fort Simpson (March 3-4) and Yellowknife (March 10-12). The schools are aimed at encouraging and supporting women to run for public office.

Funding

Funding for environmental projects

[EcoAction Community Funding](#) program is accepting applications until March 21, 2018. Projects should engage Canadians in achieving results related to climate change or clean water.

Involve youth in service

The [Canada Service Corps](#) is looking for projects that benefit young people - allowing them to grow on a personal level by building relationships, learning new skills and creating a lasting impact on their lives and on the communities they serve. The deadline to apply is March 13, 2018.

News, Opinion, and Research

Mother outraged after school sends 'triggering' residential school book home

A mother from Hay River says she's upset after her son's school sent the third-grader home with a graphic book about an eight-year-old girl being mistreated in residential school. She said she only realized how triggering the book is after she started reading it to her son...[Read more](#)

Canada Without Poverty produces poverty progress profiles

Canada Without Poverty's profiles evaluate provincial and territorial efforts to reduce poverty using a human rights framework. The goal of these reports is to provoke conversation and encourage provinces and territories to defend their budgets...[Read more](#)

GNWT introduces new disability framework

The Government of the Northwest Territories released its Disability Strategic Framework this week. The framework is a 10-year plan that deals with the issues that face NWT residents with disabilities and their families...[Read more](#)

The health and social dimensions of adult skills

Research indicates that people with lower skills in literacy, numeracy and problem solving in technology-rich environments often struggle to participate in social activities, manage chronic conditions, find and interpret health information, and access other social services...[Read more](#)

B.C. budget highlights include child care and Indigenous language spending

The British Columbia budget includes a made-in-B.C. child care plan and \$50 million for Indigenous languages revitalization and preservation...[Read more](#)

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Canadian poverty reduction strategy

[Federal government report on what it heard from Canadians](#)

Cyberbullying

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