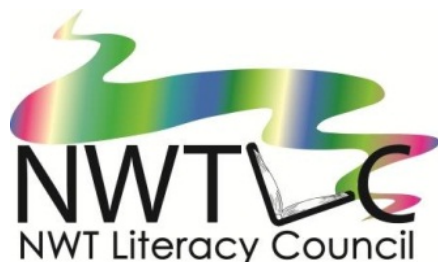


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# Literacy This Week

September 15, 2016

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## Literacy Dates

Science Literacy Week - September 19-25

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Essential Skills Day - September 30

NWT Literacy Council Annual General Meeting - October 1

## Our Blog

### Violence and Learning: Is there a connection?

Have you ever considered the connection between violence at home and how a student acts and participates in the classroom?...[Read more](#)



*Making the Connections: Violence and Learning*



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*"I'm doing everything I can but I'm not seeing the success I hoped for ..."*

For Adult Literacy Practitioners

One of six info sheets about the effects of violence on learning

- ✓ Learn more about how violence affects learning.
- ✓ Identify approaches to program delivery that promote more effective teaching and learning.

Dealing with the impact of violence on learning is not as difficult as you might think. It may transform some of your most frustrating challenges, and lead to more success for everyone.

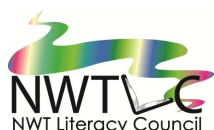
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We support literacy and essential skills in all the official languages of the Northwest Territories.

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

## Support Literacy



You can support literacy in the NWT

## Announcements and Events


### Donate your reward stamps at the Book Cellar

Last week the [Yellowknife Book Cellar](#) gave the NWT Literacy Council

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

## Connect With Us!

We share lots of news, fun photos and opinion in between issues of Literacy This Week

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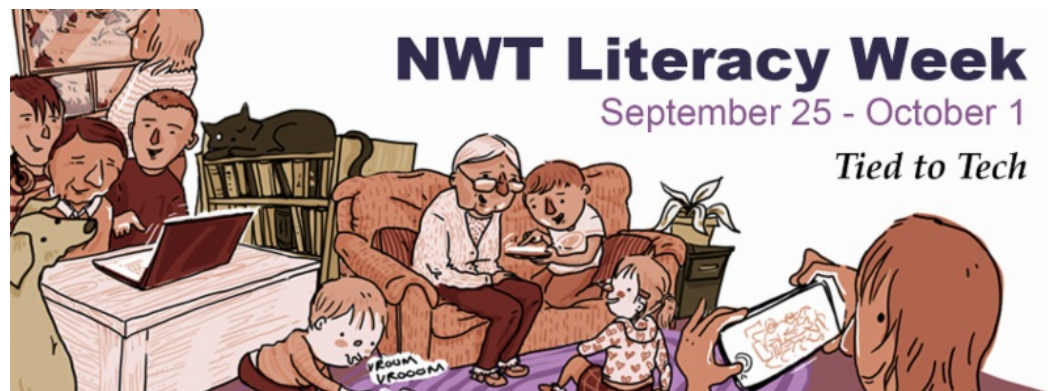
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a \$1,000 gift certificate at the International Literacy Day Breakfast. Thanks to all the store customers who donated their reward stamps to the Council and other worthy organizations. If your NWT school or library is interested in this fundraiser, contact [Judith Drinnan](#) at the Book Celler.



## Start preparing for NWT Literacy Week

The theme for this year's [NWT Literacy Week](#), September 25 to October 1 is: *Tied to Tech*. We thought this would be a good time for all of us to explore our relationship with technology. Are you making it work for you or is it taking over your life? Go to our website for ideas to help you examine your use of technology at your home, school, workplace and community.



**Federal government consulting on accessibility**

The Government of Canada is planning new accessibility legislation to promote equality of opportunity and increase the inclusion of Canadians who have disabilities or functional limitations. There is an in-person consultation session in Yellowknife on September 26 at the Tree of Peace Friendship Centre. You can pre-register or find other ways to participate in the consultation [online](#).

### **See the AlphaPlus online training schedule**

AlphaPlus provides training, services, tools and resources to adult literacy agencies and educators in Canada. Its [online technology training webinars schedule](#) is now posted.

## **Funding**

### **Apply now for family literacy funding**

The NWT Literacy Council has [funding for community family literacy projects](#). The criteria for projects and application form are on our website. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis for projects to be completed by March 31, 2017.

### **Get Active fund application deadline is October 6, 2016.**

[Get Active](#) funds community events that get people more physically active in the NWT. Community organizations are encouraged to apply for \$750 or \$1000 to organize and deliver three community-oriented physical activity events.

### **New community fund for Canada's 150th anniversary**

The [Yellowknife Community Foundation](#) is accepting applications for local projects that build community, inspire a deeper understanding of Canada, and encourage participation in a wide range of activities that mark Canada's 150th anniversary. The application deadline is September 30, 2016.

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

### **Once your kids can read easy books, start reading them hard ones**

In the annals of great parenting moments, the one where the kids clamber onto the couch by themselves with their very own longish-book is an awesome one. They've mastered the de-coding, they've got the sounds, and they can follow a simple plot. Time to kick back and watch them lose themselves in literature, right?...[Read more](#)

### **Detroit civil rights lawsuit attempts to assert a constitutional right to literacy**

Jamarria Hall can't stomach walking into his high school on Detroit's east side some days. The classrooms are hot, water fountains don't work and only 2.2% of students last year achieved college-ready scores in reading and English...[Read more](#)

### **Our misguided effort to close the achievement gap is creating a new inequality: The 'play' gap**

"Play is the primary engine of human growth. It's universal - as much

as walking and talking." That's what Nancy Carlsson-Paige, an early childhood development expert, wrote in this post about just how "twisted" early childhood education that ignores the value of play has become...[Read more](#)

## Resources and Websites

### **How the RESP works**

[Globe and Mail video](#)

### **Science Literacy Week**

[Blogs, podcasts and websites](#)

### **HIGH FIVE Training in Dettah**

[Strengthening children's mental health](#)

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