

This Week in Literacy

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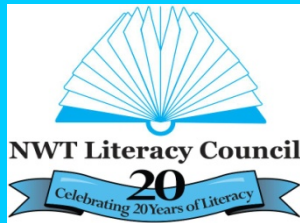
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The NWT Literacy Council is a non-profit, non-government agency dedicated to supporting the development of literacy in all official languages of the NWT.

Literacy Dates

Human Rights Day - December 10

Family Literacy Day - January 27

Announcements and Events

Consider donating to the Council

Please consider a donation to the NWT Literacy Council this holiday season. The Council relies on individual and corporate donations to carry out its work. It's easy using the [CanadaHelps](#) button on the Council's home page.

Help turn the NWT Orange on Family Literacy Day

Register your Family Literacy Day event or activity to help turn the NWT bright orange. The number of events registered reflects the colour of each province and territory on the [ABC Life Literacy online map](#). Families, groups and individuals are encouraged to register their event or activity planned for Family Literacy Day on January 27, 2011. Submissions received prior to January 14, 2011 are eligible to win a Family Literacy Hasbro prize pack.

Funding

Skills and Partnership Fund - Aboriginal

The [Skills and Partnership Fund](#) addresses cases of low employment in depressed regions leading to employment creation. Concept papers are accepted until January 7th with full proposals due February 11th, 2011.

Enabling Accessibility Fund

The [Enabling Accessibility Fund](#) supports community-based projects across Canada that improve accessibility.

remove barriers, and enable Canadians with disabilities to participate in and contribute to their communities. Application deadline is January 13, 2011.

News

MLAs read to young students

During December Yellowknife kindergarten students visit the Legislative Assembly and are read stories

by Members of the Legislative Assembly.



Green child care centre a first for Ottawa

Ottawa Start, November 26, 2010

The building is currently undergoing evaluation for LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver designation. The centre will also focus on environmentally sustainable programs in the curriculum for the children...[Read more](#)

Poverty Report has key recommendations for adult literacy

The House of Commons Standing Committee on Human Resources, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities released its long-awaited report on poverty...There is much information in the 300-page report, but Chapter 6, Education, Training and Employment-Related Measures, contains two key recommendations of specific interest to the literacy community...[Read more](#)

Tests get high marks as a learning tool

Globe and Mail, December 3, 2010

Over the past decade, study after study has found that students who are quizzed on new material recall significantly more of it compared with students who aren't...[Read more](#)

Candians missing out on education grants

Low-income families do not know that they can receive a grant from the federal government for their child's education, reveals a report published by Maytree...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites**Eye on the Arctic**

[Giving voice to the nations on the front lines of climate adaptation](#)

Play for Literacy!

[Promotional materials for Family Literacy Day, January 27, 2011, are available for download](#)

The Teaching Toolbox

[Each video highlights or demonstrates a practical teaching technique that can be used with adult learners.](#)

Top 20 Downloads for November

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