

This Week in Literacy **September 1, 2011**

NWT Literacy Council



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

Literacy Dates

International Literacy Day - September 8

Learn@Work Week - September 19-23

Essential Skills Day - September 23

NWT Literacy Week - September 25 - October 1

Announcements and Events

Take the International Literacy Day Challenge!

International Literacy Day is September 8. Celebrate by taking the [International Literacy Day Challenge](#).



Workshop Facilitator
Lisa Campbell

Fall Workshop Registration

Join Lisa Campbell for two popular workshops in Hay River in September. [Facilitation Skills](#) is being offered September 19 and then you can take [Program Planning and Proposal Writing](#) on September 20-21. The deadline to register is September 9!

Picture It! Enter to Win!

Can you tell a story in six pictures? Try it. Then enter our Picture It! Photo Storytelling Contest for a chance to win an Ipod Shuffle. There are three age categories. Click here for [Contest rules in English](#) and en [français](#).

Books for Babies Launch

Richard VanCamp will read from his new book, *Nighty Night*, at the Nighty Night: Books for Babies Program



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Launch. It's Monday, September 12 at 10 am at the Yellowknife Public Library meeting room. Free books and CDs to babies up to 18 months old. Contact katie@nwtliteracy.ca for more information.

Funding

New Horizons for Seniors

This federal program supports projects led or inspired by seniors who make a difference in the lives of others and in their communities. The current [New Horizons for Seniors](#) call for project proposals closes September 16, 2011.

Enabling Accessibility Fund

The [Enabling Accessibility Fund](#) supports community-based projects that improve accessibility, remove barriers, and enable Canadians with disabilities to participate in and contribute to their communities. The deadline to apply is September 23, 2011.

News

Our Bookmobile Giveaway

Our summer students, Jill Vaydik and David Buchanan, took our first ever bookmobile to the Yellowknife Old Town Ramble and Ride festival and to City Hall park during a lunch hour.



Jill Vaydik and our bookmobile

Unfortunately flat tires cut our bookmobile season short. The free books were popular while this outreach lasted. Thanks to Doug Ritchie for the loan of the bookmobile.

Nominate a Volunteer

The deadline to nominate a volunteer making a difference for the [Prime Minister's Volunteer Awards](#) is September 9, 2011.

September is Life Literacy Month

ABC Life Literacy Canada has declared September [Life Literacy Month](#). Check out all the ways to celebrate.

Does language learning make us racist?

Language and culture are often lumped together, spoken of in the same breath, as if they were one in the same. Language teachers revel in the cultures of the languages they teach. But does learning another language really make you any less racist?...[Read more](#)

Resources and Websites

You can borrow our storysacks

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