



Literacy Council of South Temiskaming

Newsletter

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The Literacy Council of South Temiskaming

exists to provide Literacy and Basic Skills programs and training to area adults. This service is free, confidential, and centered on the individual's needs. Learners receive one-on-one coaching from staff, instructors and/or volunteers from the community. Intake is continuous so clients may access our services at any time.

Gain the literacy skills you need for work and home:

- Find work or a better job
- Learn the skills to get into a training program or college course
- Improve your quality of life at home

If you want to learn, or know someone that wants to learn, please contact our office at (705) 672-4232.



Computer Class

Beginning in January, we will be offering a free drop-in computer lab for basic internet learning. Space is limited, so please **register** early. The classes will be offered every Monday and Wednesday mornings from 10:00 - 12:00.

Please call 705-672-4232 to register.

FAMILY LITERACY DAY® COLOURING CONTEST PRESENTED BY POSTMEDIA RAISE-A-READER™

Participate in the Family Literacy Day Colouring Contest from December 14, 2011 - January 31, 2012 for a chance to win one of 13 Family Literacy Day Raise-a-Reader prize packs! If you haven't already planned your Family Literacy Day activity for this year, this is a great option for everyone to enjoy on January 27. **Here's how to enter:** Print and colour the [contest entry form](#) (ctrl and click) and answer the fun image-related questions together as a family. Then, send your completed entry postmarked no later than January 31, 2012 to:

Family Literacy Day/Raise-a-Reader Colouring Contest
c/o ABC Life Literacy Canada
110 Eglinton Avenue East, Suite 604
Toronto, ON M4P 2Y1

Celebrate Family Literacy Day on January 27, 2012. Family Literacy Day is a national awareness initiative created by ABC Life Literacy Canada in 1999 and held annually on January 27 to raise awareness of the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy-related activities as a family. By reading to children and engaging in fun literacy activities, parents are actively keeping their own skills sharp while at the same time strengthening the relationship between the family which, in turn, encourages lifelong learning. There are many ways to strengthen your family's literacy skills—all it takes is practicing for 15 minutes every day by reading, writing, playing a game, following a recipe or even singing a song.

The Ontario Early Years Centre is offering the following activities to celebrate Family Literacy Day:

January 23 - 11:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. - Visit to the Haileybury Library

January 24 - 10:00-11:00 A.M. - Book Making Playshop

January 26 - 11:00 A.M. -12:00 P.M. -Storytime with our Grandfriends from Extendicare (at OEYC)

January 26 - 6:00-7:00 P.M., in partnership with Chat Noir Books, a Family Pajama Party at Chat Noir Books with guests reading French, English and Aboriginal stories.

Please call Brigitte at 705-672-2100 for more information.