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Literacy Quebec Newsletter

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**“...Summer's here and the time is right
for dancing in the street!”**



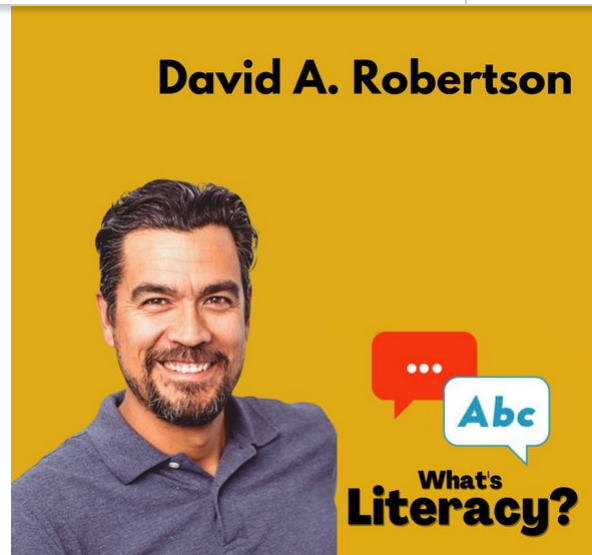
Happy Summer! We hope you find some time to relax, rest, read and maybe even do some dancing!

We have had a very busy month with more in-person meetings and forums with our partners and friends. It's also Indigenous History Month and the start of Pride Season. This is our last newsletter until September. But be sure to check out our Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and LinkedIn pages for our latest news over the summer.

Podcast: David A. Robertson

Host Niamh spoke to award-winning author, freelancer and public speaker **David A. Robertson** about his work, Indigenous history and land acknowledgements.

[Listen here!](#)



Day of Grace



In May, Literacy Quebec attended RECLAIM's first annual Day of Grace in honour of Grace Saabas, who passed away in the spring of 2022. Grace was a pioneer in the world of adult literacy. She was also the first recipient of our Freda Hudson Volunteer Recognition Award, which is given annually.

Pictured above: Wendy, Margo, Martha (the second recipient of the award) and Laura.

Out and About



Literacy Quebec has been out and about with a sudden influx of in person meetings, and events. We're happy to be seeing long lost friends and meeting people in person for the first time!

Picture: Daniel Baril of Institut de coopérations pour l'éducation des adultes (ICEA) with Margo and Ève the ICEA's two-day forum.

CHSSN Senior Wellness Centres Resource Fair

Niamh and Jessica shared Literacy Helpline information at the CHSSN Community Health and Social Services Network Senior Wellness Centres Resource Fair earlier this month.

If you'd like to learn more or request some free resources, you are always able to do so from our website.

If your organization is hosting a resource fair, we'd love to be part of it! Reach out to us at info@literacyquebec.org.

Request Helpline info



Charity Challenge Lace Up For Literacy

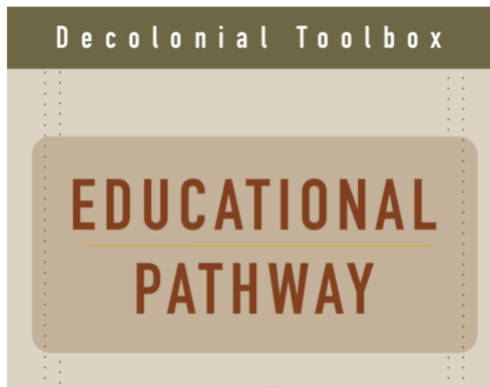


#LaceUpForLiteracy

Charity Challenge 2023 has officially wrapped up and we are so grateful to all of our amazing teams, participants and donors! When the final tally was done, **\$7,750.73** was raised for literacy in Quebec! We had **33 participants** register and they covered a total of 254km.

Resources

For **Indigenous History Month**, we'd like to highlight a few of the resources that we have found to be helpful, eye-opening, thought-provoking and enlightening.



The Decolonial Toolbox - An educational pathway

The Decolonial Toolbox offers an Educational Pathway to understand historical and contemporary Indigenous realities. The pathway gathers carefully-selected resources produced by Indigenous peoples and organizations that are accessible and promote Indigenous expertise. This was a collaboration between Concordia University's Office of Community Engagement, Mikana and the Montreal Indigenous Community Network.

[Learn More](#)



Home on Native Land course

This free 10-part course is hosted by Anishinaabe comedian Ryan McMahon as he talks with leading First Nations thinkers, artists, and legal experts.

"This series of videos and lessons is essential knowledge for anyone who is committed to living in a fair country. If you are ready to open your mind and have a good laugh while you do it, jump in and explore 'Home on Native Land'."

[Learn More](#)

awesome front-line LGBTQ+ organization.



They offer a 24/7 bilingual hotline to help, support and inform anyone concerned with issues of sexual diversity and gender diversity. Available by phone, text, chat and even email.

Their website is a great resource with guides, and FAQs. They also run excellent workshops.

[Learn more](#)

Literacy Helpline



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1-888-521-8181

Our Helpline is still open all summer long for any and all your literacy needs!

“...All we need is music, sweet music.

There’ll be music everywhere...”

“Dancing in the Street” by Marvin Gaye, William “Mickey” Stevenson and Ivy Jo Hunter

Wishing you a safe and happy summer!

~ The Literacy Quebec Team




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