



# ORANGE SHIRT DAY

September 30th, 2021

## What is Orange Shirt Day?

Orange Shirt Day (September 30th) is a day where we commemorate the residential school experience and honour the healing journey of the survivors and their families. On this day, we are encouraged to learn more about the history of these schools and create meaningful discussions about the effects of residential schools and the legacy they have left behind. We can do this by raising awareness, providing truthful education, and showing survivors that they matter. Participants are challenged to keep the ongoing process of reconciliation alive and honour the voices of Indigenous peoples, every day.

## Purchasing an Orange Shirt

It's important to be mindful when purchasing items for Orange Shirt Day/National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (September 30th, 2021). I encourage everyone to purchase from Indigenous peoples or Indigenous owned businesses. This is a great way to show solidarity and support Indigenous creators.

## Beyond the Orange Shirt Story

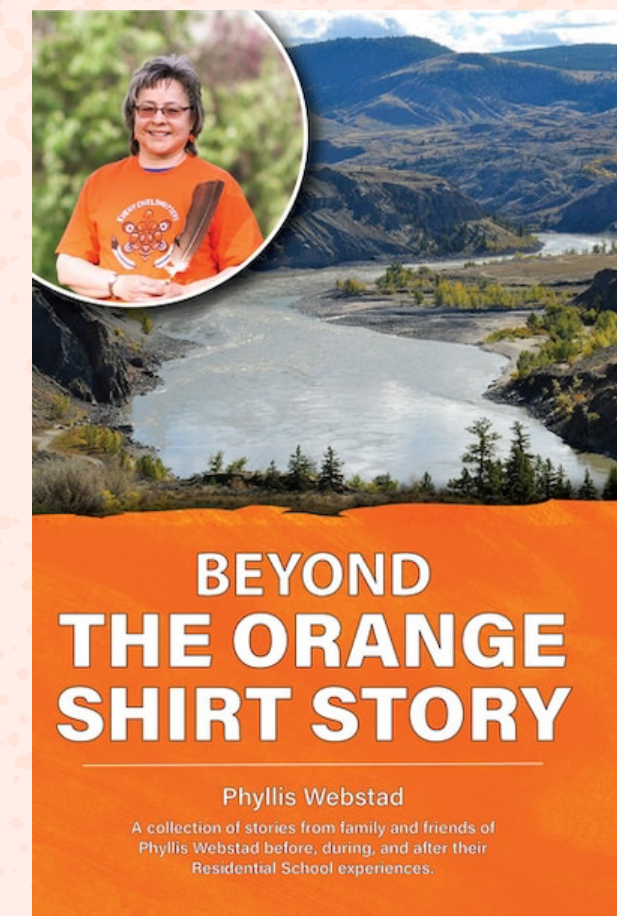
Beyond the Orange Shirt Story is a unique collection of truths, as told by Phyllis Webstad's family and others, that will give readers an up-close look at what life was like before, during, and after their Residential School experiences.

## Truth and Reconciliation, Every Day

What can you, as a teacher, do beyond Orange Shirt Day to engage in truth and reconciliation?

1. Read books about the residential school experience.
2. Volunteer with Indigenous organizations and not-for-profits.
3. Support Indigenous artists.
4. Watch Indigenous films and documentaries.
5. Attend Indigenous events that are open to the public in your community.
6. Learning greetings in the Indigenous language(s) of your community.

Check out the resource below for more!



## ORANGE SHIRT DAY RESOURCE

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DEVELOPED AN INTERACTIVE RESOURCE FOR  
K-8 CLASSROOMS.

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