

# Truth and Reconciliation Day



On September 30th we will observe the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, which has been implemented in response to the recommendations from the 2015 [Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action](#). As a Christian community we are united in our desire to bring reconciliation and hope to those who are hurting, as was modelled by Jesus Christ (Matthew 11:28-30; 2 Corinthians 5:18-19).

We believe this is an excellent opportunity for our students to walk out the HCOS [Biblical Attribute](#) of **restoration**. The description reads, “Students will become aware of the call to be compassionate peacemakers, and to be participants in God’s mission to bring about the restoration and reconciliation of all things according to His intention for creation.”

During this time of reflection on our history as a nation, our team has assembled a list of resources to help support your family as we all work towards healing and reconciliation. As our community takes a pause to observe the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, it is our prayer that you and your family will find opportunities to help fulfill God’s mandate of restoration.

## Resources

- [Learning Commons Resources](#)
- [Website Resources](#)
- [How the Church is Responding](#)
- [Choose Your Own Adventure: Indigenous Resources Menu](#)

## Orange Shirt Day

Truth and Reconciliation Day is also recognized as Orange Shirt Day. Wearing Orange has become a symbol of hope, reconciliation and a commitment to a better future.

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/36JFCOnufSw?t=58s>

The Orange Shirt Society will have their new 2024 design available for purchase at a variety of retailers throughout BC, such as:

- Aritzia
- Canadian Tire
- London Drugs
- Mark's
- Thrifty Foods

This year's design was created by Aliyah Bautista, a grade 11 student from Ponoka, Alberta. Click here to learn more [\*\*about the meaning behind the 2024 design.\*\*](#)

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