ORANGE SHIRT DAY EVERY CHILD MATTERS

WHEN?

Friday, September 30, 2022

WHAT IS IT?

A day of rememberance and a call to recognize the thousands of children across the US and Canada who endured Residential Schools.

HOW DID IT GET STARTED?

The inspiration for Orange Shirt Day came from residential school survivor Phyllis Jack Webstad, who shared her story at a St. Joseph Mission (SJM) Residential School Commemoration Project and Reunion event held in Williams Lake, British Columbia, in the spring of 2013.

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

All Indigenous people across Turtle Island have been affected by Residential Schools. We pay honor to those who have lost their lives and to those who are still fighting. We must acknowledge the truth of what happened so that we can prevent this from happening again.

HOW TO SUPPORT ORANGE SHIRT DAY:

- Research Orange Shirt Day to alleviate the work on Indigenous people
- Donate to organizations doing work for Residential School Survivors
- Listen to the stories of survivors and elders
- Remember that this must continue on beyond September 30