## **ORANGE SHIRT DAY 2017**

Orange Shirt Day is acknowledged annually on September 30, and this year, New West schools will commemorate OSD the week of September 25-29, 2017.

Wearing orange on OSD is a way to recognize the harm that the residential school system did to children's sense of self-esteem and well-being, and as an affirmation of our commitment to ensure that everyone around us matters.

Schools will be getting a pamphlet of suggested activities in early September, including grade appropriate reading and viewing lists

If schools or individuals would like to order orange t-shirts, here are some websites. T-shirts can be pre-ordered for September delivery.

Carey Newman, the Witness Blanket artist, has t-shirts for sale. Proceeds will go to support reconciliation initiatives via the Witness Blanket.

carey@witnessblanket.ca website: www.witnessblanket.ca

Native Northwest in Vancouver has t-shirts and reconciliation posters for sale; Funds from these sales go to survivors, the promotion of awareness, and education on the impact of the Residential School System.

community@nativenorthwest.com website www.nativenorthwest.ca

This OSD website has t-shirts and buttons for sale:

www.orangeshirtday.org

Office: **604.881.1104** 

e-mail: patricia@leadingedgepromo.ca

Partial proceeds will go to the Orange Shirt Day Society to support awareness activities