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SEPTEMBER AT HCS:

September 27-October 1 - **Orange** Shirt WEEK

September 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - **NO SCHOOL**



“A Rock & A Hard Place”

My beloved father-in-law loves to use old idioms as he engages in conversation. Through my years of knowing him, I have frequently had to ask what a particular combination of words means as these unique expressions are not always readily understood. At times, my misinterpretation of these unique expressions resulted in humorous misunderstandings, such as when he commented that I was “a sight for sore eyes,” and I assumed that this meant only sore eyes might be able to look upon such a horrid sight!

One of these expressions refers to being “caught between a rock and a hard place,” indicating that a person is trapped in a difficult situation with two equally unpleasant courses of action. This image of being wedged into such a spot brings to mind feelings of frustration, helplessness, claustrophobia, and even defeat.

In contrast to this troublesome predicament, is the Biblical image of the “cleft of the rock.” Here we find a hiding place, a refuge, from which we are given a glimpse into the goodness of God. The image elicits deep feelings of security and protection, and sparks hope for an opportunity to experience God’s glory.

As we navigate the challenges of these current days, we indeed experience moments of feeling “caught between a rock and a hard place.” Let’s pause in that craggy crevice and instead feel the strong arms of God surrounding us in a hedge of protection and take refuge in our Almighty stronghold.

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“I love you, LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer, my God is my rock in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.” Psalm 18:1,2



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Cost of elementary school supplies is \$35/student. We ask that your amount owing be paid by the end of the month. You can either pay by cash or cheque at the office, or there is an option to e-transfer the amount to kim.vanb@houstonchristianschool.ca. Please put 'school supplies' and your name in the memo.

HCS APPAREL

Our online webstore is only open for **1 more week!** Find the direct link on our PiP Facebook page, or go to smokscreengraphics.com. Click on 'webstores' and 'HCS School Clothing'.

APPLE PIE DAYS

Apple Pie Days are happening again this year. Stay tuned on our PiP Facebook page for more information!