



DOWN IT COMES: Demolition contractor Shane Coffiel speaks with St Michael and St John's Primary School principal Brett Anderson and Father Peter Sherman.
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Plans in place for demolition

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THE Catholic Diocese of Ballarat has appointed Ballarat-based demolition company Calora Demolition to bring down Brigid House.

After an engineer's report found St Michael and St John's Primary School building Brigid House was structurally unsound, a primary school and Horsham Catholic

church committee decided to tear down the historic building.

The school will replace Brigid House with modern school buildings.

Father Peter Sherman said demolition would start on January 19 and take eight weeks.

Fr Sherman said students would return to school on January 28. He said students were safe on school grounds.

"Part of the arrangement is that they're going to comply with WorkSafe Victoria, there will be temporary fencing built and a traffic management plan and a pedestrian plan," he said.

He said contractors would fence in the demolition site.

Fr Sherman said the school raised \$800 through a gold coin donation Brigid House open day on December 7.