

A future for faith. A place to grow.

PROJECT OVERVIEW / SEPTEMBER 2026

The mission we carry forward.

St. James School has served Vernon since 1957. Today it is a Catholic school for Kindergarten to Grade 7. Its future concerns more than a building: it is about children growing in faith, knowledge and character, supported by their families and community.

A new home beside the parish.

Planning is focused on a future campus beside Our Lady of the Valley Church in Coldstream. In 2021, the committee compared renewing the existing school, rebuilding on its present site and developing a new campus. It favoured the new-campus direction for its learning spaces, outdoor potential, parish connection and the opportunity to keep the school operating during construction.

Where the project stands.

Coldstream Council has approved the project's Official Community Plan amendment and rezoning application. Further technical work and permits are still required. The final design, site arrangements, cost and funding plan remain to be settled. A campaign goal and construction schedule have not been confirmed.

An invitation to patronage.

Help carry Catholic education forward. Follow the project, share its story and consider the part you might play in giving the next generation a place to begin. Giving and campaign contact details will be shared as the campaign takes shape.