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Welcome to our weekly newsletter where we give an overview of college and farm activities. More detailed information on any aspect of the newsletter may be obtained by contacting us directly by phone or email.

Grass

A grass cover was taken on Saturday. The average farm cover is 659 Kgs DM / Ha with a daily growth rate of 49 Kgs DM / Ha and a demand of also 49 Kgs /Ha. Paddocks for silage are now closed and this week they received 7,500 gallons of slurry per hectare.



Dairy Herd

Ninety six percent of the cows have now calved. Cows are averaging 4.15% butterfat and 3.56% protein. During the week the tails and freeze brand area of cows were clipped in preparation for the breeding season. The entire dairy herd was also vaccinated to protect against IBR and BVD. In the coming week they will be vaccinated to protect against leptospirosis. Pre-breeding scanning of the maiden heifers will take place this week.



Drystock Enterprise

The lambing season for 2022 is now completed. Ewes and lambs are all at grass. Mixed grazing is practiced on the drystock platform. This reduces grazing groups and increases animal performance and the amount of grass grown. Paddocks with covers greater than 1,800 Kgs DM / Ha were baled for silage during the week.



College & Student Activities

Students from St. Michaels College in Listowel visited the college farm during the week. They got the opportunity to learn about our sheep, beef and dairy enterprises.

On Wednesday, our students competed in the Agricultural Colleges 7 aside football tournament in Thurles. This was a welcome return to the college's calendar following a two-year absence due to Covid19.

Our Level 6 Mechanisation students are nearing completion of their fabrication / engines overhaul projects. This is the culmination of the students two years of study and practical's. Credit is due to all students for their commitment and effort.

Work is continuing on our new silage pits. The walls were poured during the week and the floors will go in this week.

Photo of the Week



Students competing in the agricultural colleges football competion in Dr. Morris Park, Thurles during the week.

Dates for Your Diary

Applications are now open for our full time Level 5 Certificate in Agriculture course and our Level 6 Dairy Herd Management, Drystock Management and Mechanisation courses that commence in September 2022. Visit our website for more details.

Our Advanced Mechanisation students will display their projects at 2PM this Thursday.

Group Visits

We are now open to accepting visiting groups, be that schools, groups of farmers or individuals. Contact Mary in admin at 061-393100 and we will be happy to tailor a package to suit your needs.

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