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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

Good ground and weather conditions over the last week has meant that calved cows are now out at grass full time. Increasing stocking rate is allowing for heavier covers to be grazed out.

Dairy Herd

Calving is continuing with over seventy five per cent of the herd now calved. The first of the Friesian bull calves went to Listowel mart during the week. Over the weekend the first eighty Friesian heifer calves were moved to the contract rearing farm in Co. Roscommon.



Drystock Enterprise

The first ewe lambed on Thursday last, giving birth to twin lambs. Over the weekend two more ewes lambed, a single and a twin. With the favourable weather conditions, ewes and lambs will be let out to grass within 24 hours of being born.



Yearling beef heifers are now at grass.



College & Student Activities

On Wednesday last our Level 5 Certificate in Agriculture students attended a very interesting Teagasc Organic Farming Farm Walk in the Burren, Co. Clare. Field trips and Industry visits are an important part of all our courses. During the week a number of secondary schools visited the college and college farm. We had visits from Coláiste na Ríochta, Listowel, Coláiste Iosaef, Kilmallock and St. Josephs Secondary School, Tulla. Students got to learn about our dairy, beef and sheep enterprises as well as hear about the courses we offer.



Photo of the Week



Minister Pippa Hackett meeting with Level 5 students at a recent Teagasc Farm Walk.

Dates for Your Diary



Salesian Agricultural College
Open Day
Saturday, March 26th.



Thursday March 10th at 2PM: Higher Certificate in Engineering – Mechanisation students will display their fabrication and engine overhaul projects.

Distance Education and Part-Time “Green Cert” courses will commence on April 2nd 2022. Visit our website www.salesianag.ie for further details.

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

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.

Social Media

Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and TikTok for daily updates on college and farm activities.

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