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Dairy/Beef Placement

Derry and Nora Scannell run a mixed farm, with 150 dairy cows, plus calves, heifers and beef cattle (approximately 200 head in total). They farm 200 acres of land in total over 2 separate locations.

The family consists of Derry, Nora and their twin boys, Ronan and James.

To complete the family along with Derry, Nora and the twins, Nora's mother, Joan, also lives with them. Derry's mother, Anna, now lives in a care home. There are also 2 dogs, Sam who is a terrier and Major who is a German Shepherd. Derry's twin brother lives nearby too. Derry farms full-time and Nora teaches speech, drama and English so will not be at home all of the time.



You will be completely involved with all of the farm work. The milking parlour is fully computerised and automated (Dairymaster Swiftflow parlour) and has recently been extended. There are ACR's, sequential baling, cluster cleanse and automatic drafting.

There is machinery on the farm which you may be able to use if you are capable.

The family enjoy sport, drama, reading, music and cooking. There are sports clubs in Clonakilty where you can play the Gaelic (GAA) games of hurling and football. There is also a branch of Macra na Feirme (the Irish Young Farmers Association). You will also find a library, gym and swimming pool in Clonakilty along with quite a few shops, cafes and bars.

Clonakilty is a town almost on the south coast of West Cork so you won't be far from the beach on this placement! The farm is about 6 miles from the town and there is a regular bus service going to Cork City and also up to Killarney in County Kerry (the start of the famous Ring of Kerry). Equipeople has several other host families in this area so there may be other students nearby at the same time. In your time off you should try and visit as many interesting places as possible to get the most out of your placement.

For more information on the area please visit the following websites:

www.visitcorkcounty.com www.westcorkhotel.com/top-10-things-to-do-in-west-cork www.westcork.ie www.corkcity.ie/traveltourism

