



## BTEC Agriculture

BTEC Agriculture focuses on many aspects of Agriculture. From the Science behind plants and animals to the more hands-on aspects of running working farm. Pupils will also need to have access to a farm to complete many of the necessary routine tasks which are an integral part of livestock farming. There will also be visits to arable farms, opportunities to see some of the latest innovation in farming and to get a closer look at the local Industry which is linked closely to farms and ultimately farm gate profits.

## Key Stage 4

There are 6 units of study:

- Introduction to Animal & Plant Husbandry
- Work related experience in the Land Based Industries
- Environmental and Land Based Business
- Introduction to Animal & Plant Biology
- Introduction to Farm Animal Production
- Introduction to Dairy & Beef Cattle Husbandry



All units are assessed by the completion of tasks set by the subject Teachers which cover the necessary aspects of the specification to achieve a Pass, Merit or Distinction grade. Pupils undertaking this course need to have a hands-on working knowledge of Farming and a firm understanding of how and why routine activities occur on a farm. The course will give the Farmers of tomorrow an opportunity to view how other Farms in the local area carry out daily/seasonal activities, and to get a flavour for the career opportunities that exist in the Agri Industries beyond the farm gate.

## Career Progression

Pupils may wish to study Level 3 in Agriculture as one of our Link Options in Sixth Form through South West College. Alternatively, pupils may progress to Greenmount to study L2/3 courses in Agriculture and Land-Based Technology.