



Taking dairy to the classroom - AgConnect

The 28th April 2017 saw a group of agricultural industries and businesses descend on Brisbane Boys College in Toowong to participate in AgForce's AgConnect Junior event.

The AgConnect Brisbane event runs throughout the day, with presentations of 30 minutes per industry aimed at primary school aged children.

Subtropical Dairy attended the event and talked 'dairy' to over 100 primary school kids and their parents and teachers.

Kylie Dennis and Belinda Haddow, Subtropical Dairy Extension Co-ordinators, discussed how cows turn grass into milk. The sessions were deliberately designed to be interactive and exciting for the kids with lots of things to see and touch. The conversation started with why cows make milk and journeys through a day in the life of a dairy farmer right through to turning cream into butter in a jar!

Cold flavoured milks donated by the team at Parmalat were a great hit with the kids and much appreciated. Legendairy and Dairy Australia also supplied a number of classroom resources which provided an opportunity to get the kids to think more about dairy when they returned to school, and also continue a conversation about the dairy industry with their families when they got home.

The MooBaaMunch and AgConnect days always provide an excellent opportunity to instil some knowledge and a little bit of 'passion' about the dairy industry in young people, who may otherwise never get the chance to learn about where their food comes from.....



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