Turney Farms (2024)

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Turney Family:

Rob (Dad), Kim (Mum), Ed (31, lives in England), Penny (29, married to Simon), Imogen (12), Zoe (9).

Farm Profile:

We are a mixed farm, located near the base of Mt Hutt near Methven in Mid Canterbury. We are dairy farmers (2 x 600 cow dairy farms), and we also have 500 Sows. We had been 'outdoor' pig farmers for 30 years, but completed the build of a 3400 sqm indoor piggery (sow unit) in 2022. We have invested a huge amount of time and energy into designing an indoor unit to care for both the sows and piglets, to achieve the best production and welfare standards possible. We have a great team of people managing the pig farm, and they are looking for someone young and enthusiastic to join them. We are hoping to a take on a trainee with experience rearing and caring for pigs, however this experience is not essential as we will provide training to the right candidate. There will also be opportunity for the trainee to learn about the NZ dairy industry and have experience milking through a large rotary shed.

Local area

Our local town Methven is a vibrant ski town, with a great community feel. We have schools, a gym, supermarkets, pubs, and restaurants. We are close to the mountains for skiing, mountain biking and hiking, and there are many stunning walks nearby. The views of the mountains from the farm (on a good day) are spectacular! We are only 1hr drive from Christchurch, which is a beautiful city worth exploring.

Working conditions

You will be rostered to work approximately 40-45hrs per week, working with a team of 4-5 other employees. Some weekend work will be required, but this will be shared with other staff on a roster. You will be paid \$25 per hr, we will arrange accommodation (probably in the local town), and will deduct a small amount of rent. We will provide use of a small car for you to get to and from work (10min drive). If you would like the opportunity to work in the stunning South Island of New Zealand and learn more about the NZ dairy and pig industries, please get in touch.!

