



St. Mary's Football Club

Match Report

Under 11

St Marys FC 1 - 5 Doyle

St Marys U11s second league game of the season was against Doyle at Mallusk. After last week's fantastic win the U11s were high on confidence and this showed in the early stages with Caoimhín Kingsmore and Peter Stewart having early chances. Things turned sour however after 15 minutes when the referee awarded a fairly dubious penalty. The ever reliable Aiden Gilleece saved the spot kick but could do nothing with the rebound. Things got worse within 5 minutes when Doyle notched a second.

St Marys to their credit continued to press with strong defending at right back from Díarmuid Small and determined runs from Antaíne McNicholl.

The second half started with Ciaran McCullough replacing Lewis Tutin at left back. The St Marys defence was under constant pressure and two further goals meant St Marys trailed 4 - 0 with 15 minutes remaining. The score line seemed to spur the boys in white on and captain Tomás Gilmour linked well with Antaíne McNicholl on a number of occasions. Good inter - passing eventually led to a penalty which Ciaran Pettigrew coolly slotted home. No matter how hard St Marys tried they could not breakdown an excellent Doyle defence. Doyle wrapped the game up with a fifth late on for a deserved win.

A frustrating day for the U11s but a game that proves that a top performance is required every week from all the squad.