



# Red Sokz

Issue XIII Volume I



<http://www.villiers-school.com>

22 March 2002



## Editorial ...

## Villiers Vote Pro-Choice

13. A simple two digit number, yet a number that sends shivers down the unlucky members of society. A floor number you never find as the top storey of any building.

A number that the Red Sokz newsletter has now reached with fluid success. Will it all end here? We hope not.

This issue is also important in that it is our first week creating a full publication, without staff supervising the process and making sure it all happens without a hitch. We're even missing most of the team who are enjoying skiing in Austria.

Well, it's alright for some! Oh and happy Easter!

- Richard White IVN

If one person votes, gradually everyone is encouraged to do so, as we in 3P found out on March the 6<sup>th</sup> during our referendum. Firstly we'd like to thank everyone for their help & cooperation through out the day, especially the students! We never thought we'd get as good a response from you as we did!

As for the teachers, we were surprised that you spoiled more votes than the students, we thought you of all people would have more sense!

In total 396 out of 527 people voted in the school, inclusive of staff and of that 73% of you voted yes. As you can now see the majority of our school supports abortion

(this is excluding the 7 spoiled votes of course).

### Results of our school referendum:

- First Form: 89% voted, 51 yes, 21 no
- Second Form: 81%voted, 50 yes, 17 no
- Third Form: 83%voted, 61yes, 15 no
- Fourth Form: 58%voted, 35 yes, 7 no
- Fifth Form: 78%voted, 58 yes, 11 no
- Sixth Form: 58%voted, 23 yes, 17 no
- Staff: 55%voted, 6 yes, 17 no

Thanks again to everyone who voted. A fun day was had by all! On behalf of 3P we'd like to thank Ms. Ann Gowing for her amazing courage in taking us on! Thanks Ms!

By Ciara Healy & Hannah Kelleher IIIP



## Sports Feature

### MU annihilate West Ham

**5-3  
to stay top.**

West Ham United's Boleyn Ground has never been the most welcoming of venues for Manchester United.

On the credit side United have yet to lose a Premiership game against West Ham in London, and another win is an outcome that would do nicely in the wake of Liverpool's 2-1 early afternoon win against Middlesbrough at the Riverside- a result that took the Anfield side to the top of the table.

The Hammers, who beat United 1-0 at Old Trafford in December, kicked-off towards the Centenary Stand and were soon putting Fabien Barthez's goal under threat. United were pushed back with West Ham going for an early breakthrough and in the eighth minute they did just that. Vladimir Labant crossed from the left and Salford-born Steve Lomas, a former Hammers' skipper, got above Mikael Silvestre at the far post to head his side into the lead.

United were certainly not at their best but then out of the blue they found

themselves level. A brilliant long ball from Scholes found David Beckham on the right, who without changing step looped a fantastic shot over keeper David James and into the net. Three minutes after United had levelled and the Hammers were back in front. Defender Sebastien Schemmel sent in a great ball from the right and striker Frederic Kanoute, on the edge of the area, hit it first time past Barthez.

Two minutes later, and amazingly, United were level again. Beckham took a free-kick from just outside the Hammers' area and Butt got in amongst the home defence to volley acrobatically past James.

To the second half...In the 55th minute United went in front for the first time in the match. Solskjaer crossed from the by-line on the right and Scholes beat the home defence to the ball and score from close range.

Twice in front, it was now the Hammers' turn to chase an equaliser.

United now had their tails up and in the 64th minute they increased their lead with Solskjaer scoring at the second attempt from Beckham's right

wing cross. The Reds, who earlier looked to have a real battle on their hands suddenly found themselves with a two-goal cushion.

West Ham, however, refused to accept defeat and in the 78th minute they reduced the arrears with a fine goal from Jermain Defoe who had only taken the field some four minutes before as a substitute for defender Nigel Winterburn. The home fans, sensing yet another twist this fabulous game, roared their team on as they went in search of the goal that would restore the status quo once again. However, the Reds wrapped up the points when Paul Scholes was felled in the West Ham area. With Ole and Ruud off the pitch it fell to David Beckham to smash the ball past James for a 5-3 lead. This game was a gem!

### Fl: The Malaysian Grand Prix The other Schumacher wins well

1. Ralf Schumacher WILLIAMS
2. Juan Pablo Montoya WILLIAMS
3. Michael Schumacher FERRARI  
*(former Villiers pupil, honestly!)*

By David Clancy IVQ



### Villiers Vs St. Endas

It's amazing what two training sessions can do! Last Thursday, Villiers Senior Rugby team qualified for the semi final's of the O'Brien Cup by beating St Edna's 18-5 in a tough encounter at the Coonagh Rugby Grounds.

Villiers scored an early try through Mark Kiely. The winger made an excellent break down the blindside to score his first senior try. It came after a period of champagne rugby where the Villiers backline sliced the Edna's defence like a turkey at Christmas time. A few quick rucks by the forwards created gaps in Edna's blindside defence, which Kiely dually exploited. Ryan Hartigan missed the following conversion. Excellent defence by Fergus Robson and Alex Mclean cut off of Edna's ability to pick and go as well as their runners of 9. All pick and go attempts were quashed by the Villiers smoothing defence with Fergus dominating. No member of the pack could be faulted, with very few tackles missed. Villiers went in at the interval 5-0 ahead.

In the second half, Villiers upped the tempo and Edna's could do little to match them. A line out allowed Villiers to move the ball wide. With a breakdown on the other side, quick ball enabled Andrew Hodgins to spread the ball back the other way. Eoin Cusack and Richard Dodd did very well to hold their lines to keep the defence honest; by doing this they created a 2 on 1 overlap with Paddy Bird and Rob Armstrong up against Edna's star winger. Paddy Bird received the ball and with the winger in two minds, sold him a dummie, and dived over for a great try. Once again the try wasn't converted. Villiers third try came from two pieces of individual class. Andrew Hodgins saw that the Edna's defence had come up flat and with a clever box kick had Villiers going forward, Paddy Bird followed up quickly and

forced Edna's fullback to knock on. Paddy played the advantage and kicked superbly. From here it was a three man race between Paddy, The Edna's fullback and Ryan Hartigan. Hartigan's pace put him ahead of the rest and he touched down to put Villiers 15-0 ahead. Villiers then took the foot off the pedal and it resulted in Edna's getting their single score of the game. Edna's ran a penalty from 5 meters out and a missed tackle by Hartigan allowed the Edna's prop to get a try which was not converted. Villiers were awarded a penalty on the Edna's 10 meter line 15 yards in from touch. With the last kick of the game, Hartigan sent his attempt through the posts to cap off what had been a bad day at the office by his own high standards.

It was hard to pick out any individuals in this great team performance but with the presence he gave in tight, the Man Of The Match award went to Fergus Robson.

This was a more complete performance by the team with both backs and forwards putting the game to their counter parts. Villiers showed just how far they have come in a short space of time, with a great team spirit, all the lads are willing to learn. Their defence has improved dramatically, only conceding one try in there last two games compared to eight in their pervious two. The forwards have dominated nearly every game that we played this season, but with the backline starting to come into their own, the team is starting to peak at the right time and on their day, would even give the likes of Munchins and Rockwell a run for their money.

The team next plays Newcastle West in Newcastle West in the semi final of the cup. Hopefully the team will be given a bit of support as they try to reach the final for the first time.



<http://www.villiers-school.com/sport/rugby.html>



## Announcements ...

### Want to be a Thousandaire ...

Villiers Parent Teacher Association wish to extend their thanks to everyone who made Friday 8th such a huge success! Many thanks to all the parents, teachers, students and friends of Villiers School who supported this fundraising event. The P.T.A look forward to financing many worthwhile projects within the school - details later. Please return any unsold tickets/monies to Janet as soon as possible for their records.



<http://www.villiers-school.com/pta>

### Boys Hockey Matches, last week:

U13 A's	Vs	Bandon:	Won	5 - 0
U14's	Vs	Bandon:	Lost	0 - 4
U14's	Vs	Ashton:	Lost	0 - 4

On Tuesday 12th the 1st Year boys picked up a great win against Bandon Grammar School. The final score was 5-0. It was a thrilling match with great performances from the whole team The Villiers goals were scored by Colin Doherty, Eric Callender, Simon Brickenden, Kieran Kellagher. Well done everyone.  
By Edmund Gleeson, IM

On the 14th March the minor boys played a second hockey match against Ashton at Villiers. Even though we were under

pressure for the whole match we managed to only lose 4-0.  
By David Holmes



<http://www.villiers-school.com/sport/hockey.html>

### Other Sports

Table Tennis starts at 15:45 in the Sports Hall, Monday 25th for 1st and 2nd Years only.



<http://www.villiers-school.com/sport/othersports.html>

### Young Entrepreneurs

On Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> March, four groups of 4<sup>th</sup> form students took part in the final of the Golden Vale Young Entrepreneurs Scheme 2001. They each received a prize within the school category:

- 1<sup>st</sup>: **Splinters:** Alan Drew, Andrew Gray, Devin Murphy.  
2<sup>nd</sup>: **Name Frames:** Sarah Hammersley, Sarah Holmes, Jackie Hodgins, Niki Sterritt, Jane Hedigan.  
3<sup>rd</sup>: **Mirror Mirror:** Susan Ryan, Jillian McInerney.  
**Cookikins & Co:** Holly Cottiss, Maria Kelly, Ann-Michelle Mullally, Jennifer Austin.

Splinters were also very happy to receive 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize overall.

Thanks Ms. Kirby and Mr. Jones for their help and support.