



Time for an update on more of those hot items which didn't quite make the Front Page in the Magic Kingdom, beginning with some details from a Press Release I'm sure you're so sad to have missed.

Yep, what better way to remind yourself how quickly time passes than with the NEW official ATOMIC KITTEN Calendar. Packed full of glossy shots of the fabulous threesome I'm amazed this one passed the censors. Oh and by the way, AK's Jenny says the girls have forgiven ALI G for calling them "Old Slappers" at the recent MTV awards, adding that the girls were very proud that he slagged them off (?) Jenny has been quoted a lot recently and also made the inside pages with her comment that SHAGGY should get a "New Year Loser" award because of his angry outburst after he failed to win anything!



Another bit of gossip on the vine claims that pop group STEPS actually split because they were fed up with being regarded by the industry as a joke. Despite selling over 12 million records the band were frequently snubbed by music award givers.

Staying with the pop scene, my daughter tells me that WESTLIFE have apparently announced that they are about to 'star' in their own cartoon series. The pilot show is about to be screened in the US early this year with a UK viewing in the summer.

ROBBIE WILLIAMS is another soon to be immortalised; the bosses of The Beano have announced that they will be creating a character based on him, a naughty eight year old called Robbie Rebel. Meanwhile Über fashion photographer Mario Testino has revealed that Robbie was reluctant to put his clothes back on after he snapped him in the nude. The singer, who confessed he would be delighted to "be naked all day", was pictured naked on the cover of October 2000's Vogue with supermodel Gisele Bundchen "It was an experience," Testino said. "I told him 'Robbie you will only need to be nude for 10 minutes'. And he said 'No, I really don't care. I'll be nude all day'"

Another immortal, the huge - and temporarily homeless - marble statue of LADY THATCHER has been unveiled for the first time. Former Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, known across the world as the Iron Lady when in office, is represented larger than life in the work commissioned for the House of Commons. It was commissioned in 1998 by the House of Commons Speaker's Advisory Committee on Works of Art. It was paid for by an anonymous benefactor. Currently there is nowhere for the statue to stand - because tradition demands it must not take its place in the Commons until after the subject's death



Meanwhile back on the entertainment scene, MEG RYAN has advised that it was she who ended her relationship with Russell Crowe by way of a phone call and not the other way round as had been previously reported. Meg is pretty busy as we enter 2002 filming

her latest movie 'Against the ropes' a true story of a female boxing manager. She's getting into the part by spending a lot of time in the gym apparently - does this mean Meg with muscles I wonder?

Another celeb, who seems to be on the UK screen every time I visit is JAMIE OLIVER, Columnist Emma King-Farlow suggests that he must have been more than a little embarrassed when he turned up at a fancy dress party dressed in a glittery mini skirt, fishnets and stilettos, only to discover that none of the other guests had actually bothered to go in costume.

There's success in sarcasm it appears, hot on the tail of the inimitable Anne Robinson, SIMON COWELL, best known as the sharp tongued judge from the ITV show Pop Idol has been snapped up by the Americans for a US version of the same show. His acidic comments on the UK TV show led to many a public argument in the UK, so if the Americans think Anne is bad, just watch what hits the fan when Simon launches into one of his life-guiding put downs! (More from Emma can be found on www.britishepat.com)

Something else I seemed to have missed was the magazine HEAT's poll to find the 50 sexiest celebrities. Top Spots went to Robbie Williams and Kylie Minogue, Hard on their heels were David Beckham and Jennifer Lopez with Brad Pitt and JESSIE WALLACE. Jessie is possibly better known as Eastenders character Kat Slater. (below)



Another heartthrob GEORGE CLOONEY has revealed that he is more concerned about losing his hair than he is about finding a life partner. Clooney apparently told German magazine Bella that he's not in the least preoccupied with growing old alone and spends more time looking in the mirror at his receding hairline.

It seems that BRITNEY SPEARS has threatened the marital bliss of Sarah Jessica Parker and her husband of the past five years, Matthew Broderick. The Sex and the City star may be an ardent admirer of Britney, but Matthew is less than convinced. According to a recent interview with American Vogue, Parker once