

News from Britney Spears, Matt Willes and Sharon Osborne

Britney orders Kevin to live in the basement

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Britney Spears has reportedly sent her husband Kevin Federline to live in their basement.

The singer is said to be so fed up of her husband's wild ways that she has divided up their Californian mansion and banished him to the lower reaches.

After just 20 months of marriage, Britney allegedly doesn't want Kevin anywhere near their son after coming home to find him drinking and smoking cannabis.

A source told Britain's Daily Mirror newspaper: "Their relationship has become so hostile she just doesn't see how she can make it work. She has ordered him down to the basement." The 'Toxic' singer was said to be devastated after spending Mother's Day alone - while Kevin chose to visit his former love Shar Jackson, who he has two children with.

A friend of the singer said Britney had hoped the marriage would last until the birth of the pair's second child in October.

The source said: "Britney desperately wanted it to work and she still does for the sake of their family, but she has had enough of him." Britney's spokesman has refused to deny the claims.

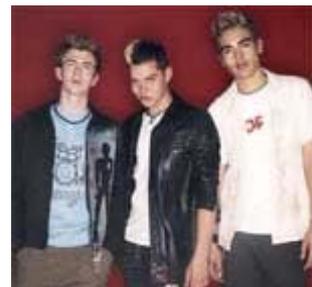
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**WILLIS:
'GIRLFRIEND
HELDED ME**



HELPED ME BEAT MARIJUANA ADDICTION'

Former BUSTED star MATT WILLIS credits his girlfriend with saving him from descending into a life of drug addiction. The 23-year-old Brit, who is now launching a solo career, claims he would never have given up his all-consuming love for marijuana without the aid of his [TV](#) presenter lover EMMA GRIFFITHS. Willis, who is now clean but had smoked cannabis regularly from the age of 14, admits he was stoned all the time and that his bad habit was starting to affect his relationship with Griffiths badly. Willis, writing in today's (27MAY06) edition of British newspaper the Daily Star, says, "Without her I don't think I'd be here now with the opportunity to make something of myself. I caned it totally until she put her foot down and forced me to face up to things. "At the end of last year (06) she finally snapped and said, 'You're going to have to stop smoking or...'. "That was it. I gave it up for New Year and now I don't miss it at all. Towards the end I was just getting really, really wasted. "I am so grateful for Emma. She gave me the courage to face life."

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EXCLUSIVE: THE HOMELESS TEEN RESCUED BY TV STAR SHARON OSBOURNE

By Beth Neil

ROCK mother Sharon Osbourne has secretly been playing mum to a homeless teenager who was left on the streets on Christmas Eve.

Danny Howarth captured Sharon's heart when she heard the moving story of how he was forced to live rough and lured into a world of drink and drugs.

When a tearful Danny, 17, confessed to dabbling in cannabis and ecstasy, Sharon - whose husband Ozzy and two of her children, Jack and Kelly, have battled drugs - told him: "It's all right. We've all been there and done it."

Sharon reveals: "Danny is a loving, bright but vulnerable young man who has turned his life around with the help of the Prince's Trust.

"Next time you pass a homeless young person in the street, remember most of them aren't just there because they're addicts. They're there because of emotional problems at home - they're not wanted or loved and have no money, so they end up homeless on the street.

"Don't turn your face away from them - they're young people who need our help."

Danny, from Burnley, Lancs, has been given that help and, after bonding with Sharon and rock legend Ozzy at their £5million mansion in Buckinghamshire last month, he is more determined than ever to fulfil his potential.

Danny, who met the X Factor judge - a Prince's Trust ambassador - through her work for the charity, says that Sharon has become like a second mum.

"I can't believe how amazing she has been," he says. "I never thought I was worthy of the love she has given me. Sharon changed all that. We spoke about all my problems and I opened up to her in a way I've never done to anyone. At one point, I broke down and she just put her arms around me. She's so caring. She didn't want me to go. Before I went she wrote me a note with her address on. It was signed 'Forever and always, your new friend'. And when I left, she gave me a huge cuddle and didn't seem to want to let go."

It's all a world away from this time last year, when Danny's problems at home left him feeling suicidal. The only thing that kept him going during those dark days was the thought of his younger sister, Megan, now five.

"She's so special to me," he says. "If it wasn't for Megan, I don't know if I'd be here now."

His problems began when his mum, also named Sharon, met a new boyfriend. He and Danny repeatedly clashed and the youngster was first kicked out on Christmas Day, 2004, only to return the next day.

But in March 2005, Danny and his "stepdad" had their biggest row yet. This time, Danny stayed away... with two plastic bags stuffed with his belongings. He had to drop out of college, where he was studying for A-levels, and he lost his part-time telesales job. "I didn't know what to do. But I knew that I couldn't go home."

After a few days, a hostel gave him a bed. But within a few weeks, he'd hit rock bottom. "The hostel was a miserable place. Then I met some people there who seemed all right."

Some of Danny's new pals encouraged him to smoke cannabis then offered him ecstasy. "I was depressed," he says. "They told me it would make me feel better and, when I eventually tried it, my problems melted away."

But once the high had worn off, Danny sank into a deeper depression. "Every day was the same and I became reliant on drugs to get me through."

Then a friend told him about a course he'd been on with Prince Charles's charity for young people. Held in a basement of a Burnley church, it aimed to develop confidence, motivation and skills.

"At first, it was a way to get the JobCentre off my back," admits Danny. "But as soon as I started, I realised what a brilliant course it was. I began to believe in myself again..."

SINCE then, with the help of the Stepping Stones housing project, Danny has a place of his own in Burnley. He has also been on a 12-week Prince's Trust Football Initiative, gaining a nationally recognised Community Sports' Leader award.

He has also found love with 16-year-old student Claire, and is returning to college in September to study sports development and fitness, which he hopes will lead to a full-time football coaching job.

And, finally, Danny is slowly rebuilding his shattered relationship with his mother.

"It'll never be the same," he says softly. "She is now engaged to the boyfriend, which makes it difficult. But we are talking and I see her when I visit my brother and sister. But I still feel angry about what happened."

For now, Danny is looking to the future. "By the time I'm 25, I want to be someone - have my own house and a family.

"I'll give my kids all the love in the world and never throw them out, no matter what they've done.

"I'm a completely different person to the lad I was a year ago. I feel grown up and independent. I'm positive and can't wait to see what tomorrow brings.

"But I'll never forget what the Prince's Trust and Sharon Osbourne have done for me," he says. "They gave me my life back."

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