

CHEAT KRISTEN'S MUM TO DIVORCE

from **David Gardner in LA**

THE parents of love-cheat actress Kristen Stewart are to end their marriage.

The 22-year-old Twilight star's mum, Hollywood script supervisor Jules Stewart, has filed for a divorce from TV producer husband John.

The couple, married for 27 years, separated two years ago.

Her mum claimed in court papers filed in Los

Angeles that they had "irreconcilable differences". Kristen, who has filmed a threesome sex scene with Yorkshire-born actor Sam Riley, 32, and Garrett Hedlund, 28, for her new movie On The Road, is going through her own love storm.

British hunk Robert Pattinson, 26, told the beauty to leave their Hollywood love nest after she was caught having a fling with a producer.



RACY: Kristen's new movie

Dead fox is out of line

ROADMEN painting a white line left a gap because a dead fox was in the way.

Astonished motorist Stephen Napier found the bizarre sight on the freshly-marked B3157 near Weymouth, Dorset.

Stephen, 60, said: "There was a 15ft gap and the fox lay in the middle. These jobsworths had obviously decided not to move it."

The council blamed outside contractors and said the line would be filled in.

WED AND BURIED

by **Pamela Owen**

AS kids go back to school after the summer break, hundreds of teenage British girls will be missing from class registers.

Many are as young as 14 and will be midway through exam courses.

But they aren't drop-outs – they have been sent to Bangladesh, Pakistan and India where they are forced into loveless and often horrific arranged marriages.

Last year cops probed 1,468 reports of teen Brits coerced into marriage.

But experts warn it's the tip of the iceberg and believe up to 8,000 youngsters – including boys – are at risk.

And they are demanding an urgent crackdown to end the scandal.

Academic Adrian Hilton, once assistant principal of multicultural Slough Grammar School, said: "This is not just an Asian issue, it's a British one too – most of these children are born and bred here."

"If a white girl went missing there would be a huge manhunt and we must give these girls the same protection."

"Teachers should not be frightened of being called racist for asking questions – which I fear too many are."

"We are there to protect young people as well as to teach them."

"If we suspect a child is being abused at home we report it to social services. I don't see why forced marriages should be seen any differently."

He went on: "It's easy to lose touch with who's come and gone in classes."

"But it is our duty to keep tabs on these children and find out where they have gone."

Adrian warned boys are also victims and recalled one who breezed through his exams until starting his A-levels.

He said: "His marks went from A* to the point where he was failing and not coming to class at all."

"He disappeared at Christmas and it took till the summer to find out he'd been taken to Pakistan and forced to marry. I never saw him again."

Adrian suspected at least half a dozen students from Asian backgrounds disappeared from his school.

He said: "GCSE years are key – we lost a significant number of Asian students compared with white pupils."

In the past two years 215 applications have been made to courts for forced marriage protection orders, which give police powers of arrest if violence is used or threatened.

More than half were issued for girls who were under 17.

The Government's Forced Marriage Unit has issued guidelines to all schools and public bodies on how to recognise warning signs and who to contact.

But many schools are accused of being too lax about the problem – or even ignoring it.

And when the unit asked schools to comment on a review of the guidelines, only one replied.

Jasvinder Sanghera, founder of the Karma Nirvana charity for kids facing "honour" attacks or forced marriage, told The People: "That's typical of schools."

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Some say they don't feel it's any of their business." And Jasvinder echoed Adrian's claim that more people would take note if a white child went missing.

She said: "I was born in Britain and was taken out of school at 15 with the risk of going into a forced marriage."

"At no point did anybody ask why. I wasn't asked the same questions one of my white counterparts would have been afforded in the same situation."

She believes teachers worry more about offending Muslim or Sikh parents than enforcing child protection rules.

Jasvinder said: "Five weeks ago I got a letter from a teacher who'd displayed some of the charity's posters which had the helpline number printed on it."

"He told me within 24 hours of putting them up the head pulled them down."

"She actually called the teacher to her office and said she could not risk offending Muslim parents."

"I've written to the Prime Minister about this. One has to ask what's going on when in the 21st century a head will put her fears of offending parents over child protection issues."

Scandal

David Cameron has pledged to make forced marriage a criminal offence, a move welcomed by experts like Adrian and Jasvinder.

But Adrian was appalled it has taken so long to crack down on the scandal over fears of being accused of racism.

He said: "This absurd politically correct obsession is becoming like a cancer in our society."

Adrian told how one gifted girl with a passion for philosophy and politics suddenly stopped speaking, arguing and debating in class.

He said her father and brother told him she disappointed them because she spoke about was politics – "a man's subject" – and showed no interest in getting married. The father then branded his daughter a disgrace in front of the teacher.

Adrian's experience was backed by Mike Tull, head of Marsden Heights Community College in Nelson, Lancs, who revealed he often faced the problem of being unpopular with parents because he stuck up for the child.

But he said: "This is about the security of the young woman and her rights."

"Some parents mistrust us and feel they don't need to engage with us. The only way to deal with it, though, is to share concerns we have in an open and honest way."

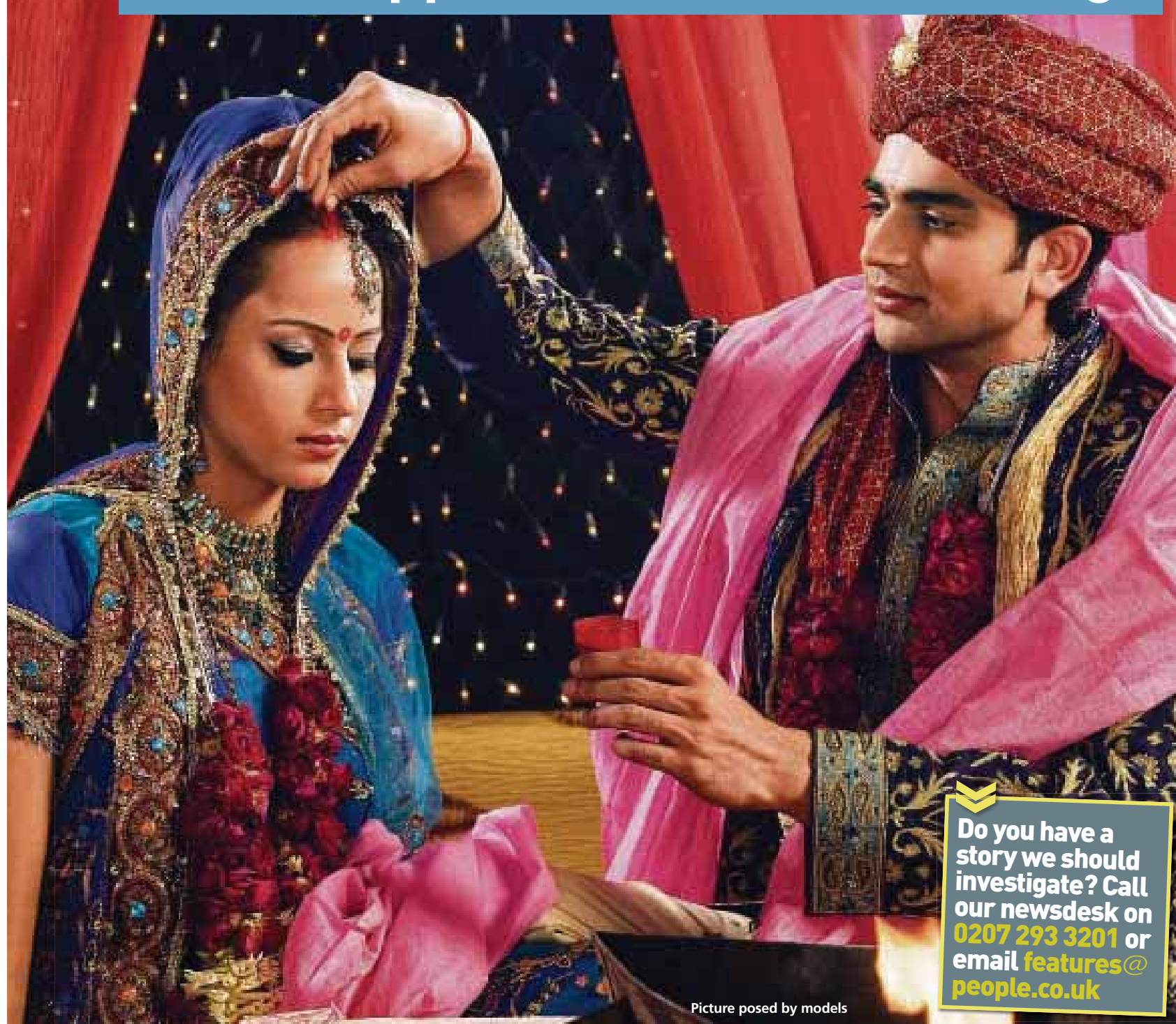
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■ If you feel at risk of forced marriage or know anyone who is, ring Karma Nirvana on 0800 5999 247, the Forced Marriage Unit on 0207 008 0151, or call the police or social services. ■ Voice of The People: Page 14



WORRIED: Jasvinder Sanghera

Shocking truth about our schoolkids who disappear into forced marriage



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BEATEN: But Sameem found sanctuary

Wed at 13 and had a baby at 14

by **Siofra Brennan**

SAMEEM Ali was just 13 when she was made to wed a complete stranger twice her age in Pakistan.

Her parents announced she was getting married while on a family holiday.

Once the ceremony had taken place they flew home to Glasgow – leaving her in Pakistan.

Seven months later, Sameem was allowed to return to Glasgow because she was pregnant. She gave birth to a son when she was still only 14.

Her parents had always beaten her – but now they started targeting her baby boy as well as her.

She said: "Abusing my son was not acceptable, so I decided to run away."

A friend helped her escape to Manchester where she began to rebuild her life.

But one day the police arrested three people with her address in their pockets and weapons in the boot of their car.

Sameem recalled: "Officers said my brother had paid them 50 quid each to come and kidnap me or my son by any means possible."

Now Sameem, 42, is a Labour councillor in Moss Side, Manchester, and is happily married with two adult sons.

She's written a book, Belonging, about her experiences.

Across the Pennines in Bradford, Naila Asfar fled her home in Bradford to avoid being forced to marry her cousin in 2009.

The 23-year-old fled to Newcastle, where she fell in love with Afsar Saddiq and later married him.

But Naila's family tracked her down the following year.

In January 2010, her brother Shamrez broke into her flat and took her to her sister's house.

Mum Shamim told her: "You're worse than a prostitute. You should be killed."

Two days later, relative gave Naila a drugged drink, bundled her into a car and set off back to Bradford.

But her husband had alerted the police and the car was intercepted.

Cruel Shamim, 59, was later jailed for four years and Shamrez was jailed for five years by Preston Crown Court.



JAIL: Hateful mum Shamim

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Battle to free Brits as young as FIVE

THE Forced Marriages Unit is a Government agency jointly run by the Home and Foreign Offices.

Its staff have been specially trained to help British boys and girls who risk violent revenge attacks if they refuse to wed the partner their family has chosen for them.

Many of the workers are based overseas, particularly in India, Pakistan and Bangladesh.

Their job is to rescue those who have already been forced into marriage, who

are being coerced into abortions or who are held against their will.

The youngest they have helped is believed to have been just five.

Victims who are successfully rescued are brought back to the UK and assigned a welfare officer before being housed at a secure refuge centre – usually in a different county to the one where their relatives live.

Staff monitor threat-levels until they believe the victim can safely leave the centre and be moved into social housing.

A panic-button linked to a local police control centre is usually fitted in the client's new home.

Last year the FMU dealt with nearly 1,500 cases.

At least a third of them involved minors and more than 60 concerned youngsters with disabilities.

The vast majority of the victims were teenage girls who had been born and raised in Britain.

But FMU figures reveal 22 per cent were boys.