

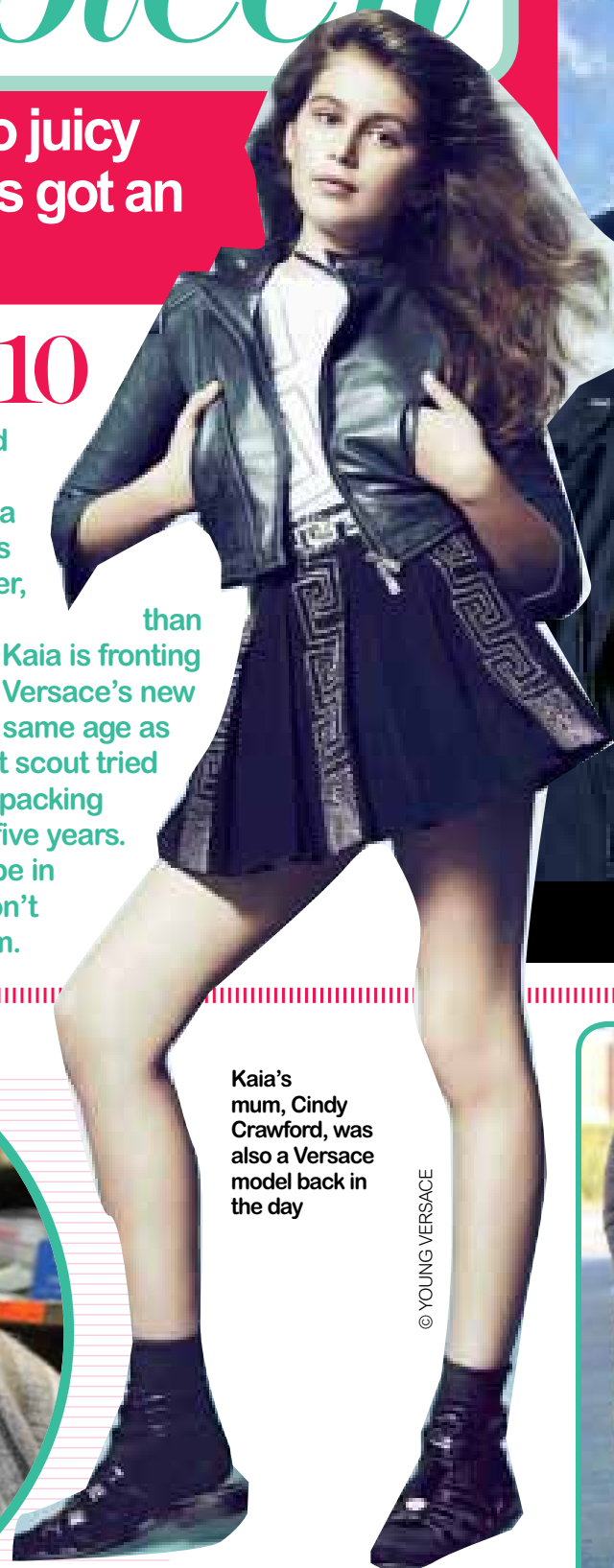
Straight talk with Coleen



From hot headlines to juicy celebrity gossip, she's got an opinion on the lot!

Debut at 10

With that pose, cool stare and long tumbling hair you'd be forgiven for mistaking her as a professional model. But this is in fact 10-year-old Kaia Gerber, whose mum is none other than supermodel Cindy Crawford. Kaia is fronting the advertising campaign for Versace's new children's line – but she's the same age as my daughter, Ciara. If a talent scout tried to sign Ciara up I'd send him packing and tell him to come back in five years. A child of 10 is too young to be in such an adult profession. I don't care how grown up they seem.



Kaia's mum, Cindy Crawford, was also a Versace model back in the day

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It's all in the stars!

Who knew physics could be so sexy? If I'd had the gorgeous Professor Brian Cox as my school science teacher I'd definitely have learnt the difference between Mars and the Milky Way – and I'm not talking chocolate. Now I'm totally hooked on BBC2's *Stargazing Live* – and so is the rest of my family. Professor Cox has a natural way of explaining the universe – and, let's face it, he's easy on the eye. And it's great to see the kids getting into science. Just last week Amazon saw telescope sales soar by 491% – which they're calling the 'Brian Cox effect'! I'd better get my order in!

Professor Brian Cox has helped to popularise science

Come to Britain

I grew up in Blackpool, so consider myself a bit of a B&B expert, and I can tell you they're not all nylon sheets and sticky carpets – there are hundreds of gorgeous guest houses that shouldn't be tarred with the same brush. So I was delighted to read that TripAdvisor has voted Britain's B&Bs as the best in the world – eight of the top 10 are ours. I'm off to pack my bags!



Memories...

I wouldn't have pegged David Cameron as a big romantic – until he said he remembered every minute of his wedding day and night. I recall all of mine, too, so when we heard on The Hub from a viewer who said that her husband spent their honeymoon watching *The Chronicles of Narnia* I just felt so sorry for her!

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Now that's a work ethic!

He was behind the counter of his hardware shop in 1934, when George V was king. Now, 78 years later, the adorable Jack Yaffe has finally decided to retire – at the incredible age of 103! I think he's such a role model. Even more incredibly, he's handing over the family business to his daughter-in-law, who's only 69.



Hard-working Jack is an inspiration!



Rocky's got an outfit for every occasion

Doggy style

I couldn't believe it when I saw the story of Rocky the chihuahua, whose owner, Lynsey Noble, has blown £2,500 on 1,500 outfits for her pooch. Now I love animals, but the one time I tried to dress my dogs in comedy t-shirts Ray threatened to disown me – and the dogs didn't look too chuffed either! I won't be buying a bespoke pet pushchair or doggy accessories, but I wish Lynsey all the luck in the world.

