

APPENDIX

Data 1: Baby Peter's Gran Signs Petition

The Gran of tragic Baby P last night said she would sign The Sun's petition calling for longer sentences for the tot's abusers. The distraught woman branded her own daughter "pure evil" after she and her child-raping boyfriend were jailed over the death of the youngster. But like so many Sun readers, she was outraged when little Peter's monstrous mother, 27, was told she could apply for parole in three years. Now 35,499 readers have signed our petition.

The grandmother said of her daughter: "I am the first in the queue when it comes to getting her sentence increased.

"She may think I'm a traitor but I will be signing your petition. My daughter is pure evil. I've lost my grandson."

Baby P's mother was given an indeterminate sentence at London's Old Bailey. But she has already served two years of her five-year minimum term on remand. The lad's 32-year-old stepdad was jailed for ten years, but could be out in eight. Lodger Jason Owen, 37 — who turned a blind eye to the abuse — was jailed for or a minimum of three years but could be free in two. Members of the public voiced their outrage outside the court on Friday.

The National Society for the Protection of Cruelty to Children, murdered

schoolgirl Sarah Payne's mum Sara, and other campaigners have also condemned the sentences as too lenient. Two thousand people an hour have been logging on to sign our petition demanding that Justice Secretary Jack Straw and the Attorney General increase the jail terms.

“By last night 35,499 had signed our petition. The numbers are expected to be bolstered by tens of thousands of readers who have posted the slip, in the Sun newspaper, to us.”

Baby P died in agony in August 2007 after months of brutal torture, sustaining 50 injuries. He suffered a broken back and eight smashed ribs right under the noses of social workers in Haringey, North London. The angelic 17-month-old was also punched so hard in the mouth he swallowed a tooth.

Yet it emerged over the weekend that in a letter to a pen pal from her cell at HMP Holloway, Baby P's mum offered TIPS on bringing up kids. She also described her cushy life in jail, where she slobes around watching daytime TV shows and doing Sudoku puzzles.

Sara Payne, whose eight-year-old daughter Sarah was murdered in 2000 by paedophile Roy Whiting, said: *“I am sickened to learn of the pitiful tariffs handed down to the individuals directly responsible for this baby's death. They are wicked, loathsome and unquestionably on a par with every child killer in the country. These laughable prison terms have enraged the public. And it's an insult to the all-too-short life of a harmless 17-month-old. As a mother, I implore the relevant authorities to reconsider their decisions. This is all about justice for Baby P.*

Sun online readers have also been venting their outrage. One user, whose

screen name is **tillytuppence**, wrote: *“This light sentence does not reflect in any way the seriousness of this crime. It certainly does not take into account the unimaginable suffering of a little boy.”*

Bert123456 said: *“I’m sickened. When will these lawmakers, judges, and politicians get a feel for the mood in this country? Is that really the paltry price for a child’s life?”*

And **Sweet-student** wrote: *“The problem is people are no longer scared of the judicial system. These evil people will live a comfortable life in prison and want for nothing. The only appropriate sentence would be life without the possibility of parole.”*

AComment90 added: *“Britain is lost in red tape.”*

Data 2: Executed Pair Suffered Terribly

A restaurant worker was jailed for life today after being found guilty of butchering two Chinese graduates. Guang Hui Cao will serve a minimum of 33 years in prison for killing Xi Zhou and Zhen Xing Yang, both 25, at their home in Newcastle, on August 7 last year. Earlier today, a jury at Newcastle Crown Court found the 31-year-old guilty of two counts of murder after a three-week trial.

Sentencing him, Mr. Justice Wilkie said *“They were crimes “of exceptionally high seriousness” that would have involved “horrifying and barely imaginable suffering”.*

The popular couple — known by their anglicized names of Kevin Yang and Cici Zhou — were found by friends two days after they were killed. Miss Zhou was found lying face down on a bed. Her killer had bound her wrists with

tape and then hit her over the head with a heavy weapon, possibly a hammer. A piece of towel was stuffed into her mouth, which had been taped shut. She suffocated around 90 minutes after the ordeal began. Mr. Yang was discovered in another bedroom, having been hit with a hammer in the face and head. His throat was slashed despite him being already unconscious.

The court heard that the couple could have been killed for their part in a lucrative internet betting operation which saw £233,000 pass through their bank accounts in three years.

Mr. Yang was involved in sending information from live football matches to Chinese gamblers who benefited from a TV time delay of several seconds, allowing them to bet on events already knowing the outcome. He also supplied fake education certificates and other documents to Chinese students who wanted to enroll on education courses in the UK, or get jobs on returning to China.

Cao, of Morpeth, Northumberland, had pretended he wanted to sub-let a room in their flat to make contact with the couple before killing them. After the murder, he changed his clothes and fled from the property with laptop computers and mobile phones which linked him to the couple. The phones were found dumped in a nearby park by two boys, with the batteries and the sim cards missing.

Passing sentence Mr. Justice Wilkie said the couple had been killed because they had crossed people involved in illegal betting scams and the provision of forged documents.

Sentencing Cao, the judge said: "*Guang Hui Cao, you have been convicted by this jury of the murders of Xi Zhou and Zhen Xing Yang.*"

“Your own counsel rightly in his address to the jury described each murder as instances of extreme savagery and brutality. But they were more than that. I am satisfied that this was an execution carried out against two young people who had become involved in organized criminal activities and involved in dishonest betting and the provision of bogus documentation.”

“In some way they have crossed those who were involved in organizing these criminal activities and were punished by them and held up as an example being murdered in a clearly calculated and savage way.”

“In the case of Xi Zhou she was subjected to the ordeal of suffocation by having a large piece of cloth rammed into her mouth and having her skull fractured three ways. It must have involved horrifying and barely imaginable suffering before she was rendered unconscious. In this way a clear message was being sent to those who were involved in this scam of not to cross them.”

The judge said Cao was involved in the physical preparation and carrying out of the murders, which he described as an "assassination".

He said the defendant had "wormed" his way into the couple's home and had sneaked the weapons with which they would be killed into their flat.

The judge added: *"You lied to the police. You have not spoken or given any information which might lead to the others involved."*

The judge sentenced Cao to life imprisonment and told him he would serve a minimum of 33 years. If he is ever released he will be immediately deported. As Cao was led from the dock he shouted at the jurors in Mandarin: *"You've killed me. You're murdering me."*

He was then forcibly dragged from the dock by six dock officers.

Data 3: Britney Attends Cousin's Wedding

Its all go in the life of Britney Spears. The pop star - who is due to arrive in London next week for the UK leg of her Circus world tour - stopped off in Louisiana at the weekend to be an honorary bridesmaid for her cousin's wedding. The mum-of-two made a low-key appearance for Laura Lynne Covington's ceremony in the small town of Amite on Saturday.

A wedding guest revealed: "When her brother walked her down the aisle, she looked stunningly calm and beautiful. She was very pretty, low-key. She was not the center of everything, just pretty and calm and collected."

The nuptials took place at the United Methodist Church, the same church where the funeral for Covington's mother Sandra took place in January 2007. **At the wedding reception Spears was seen hanging out with her sister and fellow bridesmaid Jamie Lynn, who brought her daughter Maddie along for the occasion.**

The guest said the pair: "Sat at a table off to the side and visited with local people she knew. There was no fanfare. With all the star power Britney and her family command, it was still the bride's day."

Data 4: The Bastard Brother

Sadistic Jason Owen was a cruel manipulator who had a sinister influence on the already twisted brother who worshipped him. The cowardly thug used simple giant Steven Barker to protect him when they lived on a tough council estate.

Owen, 37 - who had changed his name from Barker to Owen years before the Baby P horror - became a member of the National Front.

Childhood friends said his extremist links impressed his younger brother, who later became obsessed with Nazis. Steven Barker taught tragic Baby Peter to perform a "Sieg Heil" salute as a sick joke. Last night even their own father branded the brothers "monsters".

One former friend told The Sun: *"Steven was like any kid who idolized his older brother. The trouble was that his older brother was just about the worst role model you could wish for. When they were apart they were bad enough, but put them together and they became pure evil."*

There was a chilling hint of what was to come when the brothers were arrested in November 1995 for allegedly torturing their own grandmother. The pair were said to have locked 82-year-old Hilda Barker in her wardrobe while demanding she change her will in their favor.

The terrified pensioner even claimed her grandsons wore Guy Fawkes masks to terrorize her before beating her black and blue. Mrs. Barker was so shaken by her ordeal she was moved to a care home from her house in Whitstable, Kent. But neither brother was ever brought to justice after their grandmother fell ill with pneumonia and the case was dropped. She died in January 1996 and her will was later ruled to be invalid.

Mrs. Barker's neighbour, Jacqueline Cole, 58, said: *"Every time they came she was bruised. She was frightened every time they came down. She was black and blue when they were here."*

Data 5 & 6:

Sis Dies After Lad in Egypt

The little sister of a schoolboy killed in a car crash in Egypt died from her injuries. Ten-year-old Courtney Bainbridge's parents were by her side in a Cairo hospital.

She was on holiday with 12-year-old brother Daniel and mum Louise when the accident happened last week. Dad David, who is separated from his wife, flew out to be with her as she fought for life.

Daniel was buried among the Pyramids on Thursday while friends and relatives held a candlelit vigil at home to coincide with his funeral. Tribute sites have been set up on social website Facebook in memory of the children, from Oxclose, Washington, Tyne and Wear.

Data 7&11:

Dad 'Killed Girl To End Rape Pain'

A dad stabbed his teenage daughter to death to end her suffering after she was raped, it was claimed today. Gary Fisher, 48, had planned the murder of his daughter for months before carrying it out, a court was told.

Fisher is said to have driven Chanelle Sasha Jones, 17, to a secluded pub car park near her home in Cardigan, west Wales, on August 2 last year. He then violently murdered her with a butcher's knife as she sat in the passenger seat of his Ford Fiesta, it is alleged.

The jury were told that Fisher drove around west Wales with her blood-soaked body in the car for more than seven hours before being stopped by police. Cops found Chanelle's body in the passenger foot well. Fisher, separated from his wife, Jane Jones, was taken to hospital suffering from injuries.

Christopher Clee, prosecuting, said that in the aftermath of the murder Fisher, who was visiting his children for the week, repeatedly told people what he had done. Mr. Clee said that while in hospital he told a nurse that he had "stabbed her because she was in so much pain".

Once released from hospital, he was interviewed by a psychiatric specialist and a social worker. Mr. Clee said: "He gave them a graphic account of the killing of his daughter. He said at various stages that his daughter had told him that she wanted to die.

"He said that he had planned it for two-and-half months."

He allegedly said: "I felt that she was suffering and I wanted to help her die."

Once Fisher was transferred into custody he immediately told officers a similar story about his daughter's death.

"He told the police that she had been raped and that she could not live with the thought of that," Mr. Clee said. Mr. Clee said the teenager had never made any such report to cops.

He did acknowledge that she been admitted to hospital after taking drug overdoses in December 2006 and February 2009. But he said that neither incident had been seen as a real attempt to kill her self.

Earlier the jury heard that, on a visit to Wales one month earlier, Fisher called his daughter a "slag" because she did not want to go out with him. He had taken all three children camping during that visit, using amphetamines himself and offering them to his daughter and her teenage brother.

Fisher, of Solihull, West Midlands, denies a single charge of murder. The case, which is scheduled to run for at least two weeks, continues.

Data 8: Money Can Buy Everything But Happiness

A £9MILLION Lottery winner drank himself to death after sinking into a self-destructive nightmare in the clutches of conmen. Hard-working family man Keith Gough, 58, and his wife Louise scooped the jackpot five years ago.

It should have brought happiness. But instead he was cheated out of a fortune and his 25-year marriage was wrecked. Last week he died a penniless, lonely death with just a bottle for company.

A close friend said yesterday: "It's very sad. He's a testament to the saying, money can buy you everything - except happiness.

"They were an ordinary couple with a decent but simple lifestyle. The money ruined that and killed Keith. It went to his head and he couldn't handle it. The whole thing is a tragedy."

Former bakery worker Keith's hell began after Louise bought a winning ticket in 2005. They bought a £500,000 home near the semi where they had lived happily with their teenage son. But Keith began splashing out, buying racehorses, leasing an executive box at Aston Villa and driving a BMW. His downfall really began when he was targeted by a gang of conmen, who "smelled blood" when he met them in the summer of 2006.

Posing as property investors, they plundered his bank accounts with the aid of a gold-digging woman accomplice. The con artists drew naive Keith into drinking into the early hours at hotels and turned him into an alcoholic.

They hired a woman in her mid-20s to trick Keith into thinking she was his girlfriend. She spent nights with him in an apartment he rented after splitting with sickened Louise in May 2007.

She kept him topped up with bottles of wine and they spent hours over boozy lunches. Keith even handed her his cash point card and the blonde would withdraw £200 a day. She bragged to a friend: "He'll do anything for me. I just go to the cash point and get what I want. I've never dressed so well. I'm just there to keep him sweet.

"He's asked me to marry him. But I've no feelings for him. It's just a job. I'll do it until the money runs out."

The gang set Keith up to buy deliberately-overpriced land. He also rented a £1million home in Cheshire, with a £15,000-a-year gardener and a £25,000 chauffeur.

Sun reporters warned him he was being conned in 2007. But he slurred: "Leave me to it. I'm having a good time. I know what I'm doing."

At the end of that year Louise's divorce went through. Friends from his home town Bridgnorth, Shrops, begged Keith to seek help. He went into rehab but fraudster James Prince persuaded him to quit.

Prince was jailed for three years last June after a court heard that Keith signed over £700,000 to him between August 2006 and July 2008.

By late last year Keith, now suffering from cirrhosis of the liver, was reduced to living in a nephew's back bedroom. He had a suspected heart attack there while drinking alone last week and died on Saturday.

He had told The Sun last year: "My life was brilliant but the Lottery ruined everything. My dreams turned to dust. What's the point of having money when it sends you to bed crying?"

Former secretary Louise, 55, who invested her share of the cash wisely, refused to comment.

Data 9&10: Tory Tax Help For 4m Married

Tax bills for four million poorer married couples will be slashed by the Tories, Shadow Chancellor George Osborne told The Sun last night. It fulfils a long-standing promise by David Cameron to reward marriage - and will benefit straight and gay couples.

Husbands or wives who do not work will be able to pass on £750 of their tax-free earning allowance to working spouses. Those on between £7,000 and £44,000 a year - a third of British couples - will be £150 a year better off. The policy is aimed at building strong families and will be the flagship of the Tory election manifesto.

The saving is also available to gay men and women in civil partnerships. But people in the higher income tax bracket will not be allowed to transfer their allowances. Mr. Osborne told The Sun: "I'm delighted we can offer this. It goes to the heart of our beliefs about the importance of the family.

"It's also realistic, given the damage Labour has done to the nation's finances." The cost has been calculated by the Institute for Fiscal Studies at £550million. It will be met entirely by a new tax on risky loans taken out by greedy banks, announced by Mr. Cameron two weeks ago.

a tumor had been found in his chest. The comic, in his 50s, said: "Well, after all the hospital tests and scans, and X-rays and cameras down me etc, etc, yes, I've got cancer.

"Don't worry, I'm not going anywhere just yet, and I'm looking forward to another 25 years in fantastic semi-professional show business first. So I've got a few weeks off from live shows now to have a couple of ops and get shut." The tumor, close to Chris's esophagus, affects his ability to eat.

Wannabe pop star Frank is known for humorous cover versions and songs on his hobbies - which he describes as "really fantastic". He became a staple of the college comedy circuit in the 1980s - regularly appearing on Mark Radcliffe's former Radio 1 show - and still has a loyal following. And in the blog he joked: "For the record, my next release will not be Chemotherapy Is Really Fantastic."