

★ THE BIG MATCH



Er, anything you want to share with us, William?

PRINCE William looks every bit the proud father yesterday on a visit to the hospital where he and Prince Harry were born. But the Prince, dating Kate Middleton, said he is not ready to be a dad – not yet anyway. Asked if holding the baby made him broody, William blushed and said: “Ooh. I don’t know about that. All in good time.” He was opening the refurbished neo-natal Winnicott Unit

for premature babies at St Mary’s in Paddington, West London. Wills, 24, was born in a private wing at the hospital at 9.03pm on June 21, 1982. He made his debut wrapped in a white blanket in the arms of Princess Diana outside. And judging by the broad grin, the hospital might not be waiting so long for a return visit.

By LORI CAMPBELL



WELL PLAYED: Kieron and Jermaine

England stars will take bone marrow tests to help Keiton

EXCLUSIVE

By DAMIEN FLETCHER

ENGLAND football stars yesterday rallied round to see if their bone marrow was a match that could save young cancer sufferer Keiton Knight’s life.

Kieron Dyer and Jermaine Jenas agreed to be screened to find out if they could donate after the Daily Mirror highlighted Keiton’s plight yesterday. The seven-year-old will die of leukaemia within a month unless a suitable bone marrow donor can be found. Because he is of mixed race it has made it harder to find a match.

Newcastle winger Dyer, 27, said he had been moved by Keiton’s brave struggle against illness.

He said: “I am willing to have the test to see if I am a match. The story has moved everyone.”

And Spurs midfielder Jenas, 23, called on other potential donors to come forward to be screened. He said: “I’m happy to be involved. We all need to do as much as we can to help Keiton.”

Keiton’s mum Paris, 32, from Brighton, said: “It’s fantastic, I’ve been overwhelmed by this incredible wave of support. These footballers have been given a talent that’s made them famous and now they’re putting their fame to good use as role models, to help save Keiton’s life.”

“We are desperate for donors of mixed race aged 18 to 40 with one black and one white parent. Men tend to make better donors, but women could be suitable too.” Keiton’s uncle Warren Knight said: “There has been an incredible response from people who read the story in the Mirror, clicked on to the website and offered to help.”

“We’ve had people from as far away as South Africa and India sending us prayers and best wishes.”

“Keiton has been offered a free holiday in the Costa Del Sol, a free three-day experience at the David Beckham Academy and another couple are sending £200 to try to help us financially.”

The Anthony Nolan Trust received more than 400 calls from people who wanted information about donating. A spokesman for the charity said: “We want to thank all the people who called yesterday for their commitment to save the life of a stranger. It may be one of the individuals that rang today is the only match for a patient like Keiton or one of the 7,000 patients waiting to find a donor.”

To help Keiton, you need to act fast. Paris added: “We’re running out of time so if you want to donate your bone marrow, go and register.”

● TO donate call the Anthony Nolan Trust on 0207 284 1234 or visit anthonymolan.org.uk or African Caribbean Leukaemia Trust website aclt.org.uk. Or call the National Blood Service on 0845 77 11 711. To check Keiton’s progress visit keitonknight.com



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