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Few have worked harder than Cristiano Ronaldo. His dedication to becoming the best footballer in the world is one of the reasons he graces our cover this month. Read our exclusive interview with him on p54.

The Real Madrid No 7 isn't the only extraordinary person we've talked to this issue. On p42 we visit Derren Brown at his (bizarre) home to talk all things magical and mysterious. Be careful when you read the story. This man can probably make you do anything – before you know it you'll be on all fours barking for food.

Finally, if you want to live forever, have a read of our How To Cheat Death feature on p88. Follow our advice, and you could still be here in 100 years' time, telling the great-great-grandkids just how good a player Ronaldo was. Enjoy the issue.

Damien McSorley, editor-in-chief

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WHAT FHMERS HAVE BEEN UP TO THIS MONTH

WE CHILLED WITH A FOOTBALL GOD

As you can already tell by the cover, we got to hang out with a proper bona fide legend this month – Ronaldo. There's art director Barney stood just behind the man himself, doing a thumbs up. See? We're practically BFFs. Find out what Cristiano had to say for himself on page 54.



WE CHEERED ON SOME DOLPHINS (NOT REAL ONES)

Now the rugby's over, we're up for watching as many close imitations as we can. Thankfully, Majestic Athletic invited fashion editor Daisy to watch the NFL and wave some pom-poms. So that's what she did.

WE MET A HUGE STAR

Access editor Nick's bid for world domination wasn't going too well – primarily because he's the single least intimidating man on planet Earth. Can Mini-Me finally earn him fear and respect? No. Look at him. Nick's *rubbish*.



WE PLAYED WITH BALLS

It's not always fun and games at the office, you know. Sometimes we go to festivals and shoot models in front of a massive outdoorsy disco ball. Thanks for the invite, The Clear Agency. We had a wicked time.

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