



# SMALLER



If it wasn't for this Liverpool band, there would be no 'Digsy's Dinner', and if wasn't for 'Digsy's Dinner' there would have been no mention of lasagne! So you lot out there wouldn't be reading the fanzine of the same name... Just a thought!... Connections aside though, this band are one fantastic venture into the world of guitar-driven MELODIC pop. The world will wake up to them soon. You can wake up to them now thanks to your favourite Oasis 'zine! Lasagne! spoke exclusively to drummer Steven (Liam's best mate and a bloody nice bloke!), who quite possibly has the most famous - unfamous brother in the world today. His brother is frontman - guitarist, singer and songwriter with the band. His name is Digsy. The band are **SMALLER!!!!**

**So Steven, to get the ball rolling I'll ask the obvious. How did you come into contact with Oasis?**

We first met them when Noel was roadie for the Inspiral Carpets. The Real People (who are my cousins) were on tour with them and they were going on about having met these two fellas who turned out to be Marc Coyle (Oasis producer) and Noel. He was then introduced to me and he was a sound lad. He was saying "What do you do" I told him I was in a band with me brother. He said he was too. I said "I hate me brother" Noel said "I fuckin' hate me brother!" It was like "Put it there, mate!" We've been mates since. We exchanged demos,

which happens all the time, but we were both well impressed with them and we met up the next night. So from then on we started supported each other. They supported us in Liverpool and vice versa in Manchester. It's been sound..

a good long friendship, like.  
**At what stage did you know Noel was writing Digsy's Dinner?**

That came about a bit later. Oasis started coming over to Liverpool recording their first demo tape in The Real People's studio. They gave them free studio time, just to help them along. We used to go down just for the crack and to have a jam. One night Noel was on the drums and 'our kid' (that's

Digsy!) was being his usual stupid self, singing stupid words about how he had lasagne for his tea. He was just making it up on the spot. The next day, Noel rang our kid up and said he'd come up with an idea for a song and he wants to use the Lasagne! bit and could he call it 'Digsy's Dinner'. Our kid was like "Yeah! Sound!"  
**Did he feel honoured then?**  
Yeah I suppose he did, and he still does. He'll always claim that he's getting a bit sick of the 'Digsy's Dinner' tag, but he's made up secretly!

**It must seem strange that his name, but not his song is in millions of people's homes all over the world**

Yeah, that's true. But there's two →

**Lasagne !**