

TOPLOADER AT ALPHA, APRIL 22

There's nothing like a comeback to get us in the mood to dance. Sure, they've spent eight years in obscurity since the release of their second album, but Brit rockers Toploader are the boys behind *Dancing in the Moonlight*, fergoodnessake! That has to be worth a for-old-times'-sake look at their new tour when it hits Dubai next week. The five lads from Eastbourne enjoyed a steady rise to fame in the late '90s, scoring other top-ten hits including *Achilles Heel*, and they played alongside the decade's best known trad-rock acts like Stereophonics and Travis. So it's only right to check them out at indie club Alpha for a night of nostalgic revelry. Come on, dust off those Doc Martins and jump right into the '90s.

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**MUST-SEE MOVIE
BROTHERS**

Grossly overlooked at the Oscars, this harrowing movie offers one of the most powerful screen accounts of war of recent times and goose-bump inducing performances all round. US marine Sam Cahill (Tobey Maguire) leaves his young family to fight in the war in Afghanistan,

only to be reported dead in the line of duty. His low-life brother Tommy (Jake Gyllenhaal) steps up as man of the house, taking care of Sam's wife Grace (Natalie Portman) and their two daughters – but when Sam miraculously returns home after escaping torture and imminent death, his family fear that he isn't same person he was when he left. *In cinemas from April 22*

**BAR BITES
LEFT BANK**

Think Left Bank, and its well-crafted cocktails, great views and perfect after-work hangout potential may spring to mind. Now, thanks to a refreshed menu, you can think beyond the usual bar snacks and throw in a full-course sit-down meal, too. With a tempting selection of both creative and traditional dishes on offer at a reasonable price, it's hard to know what to

choose. For those who enjoy something with a bit of a kick, the thai fishcakes are a must, but for the more sensitive palette, a standard steak or fish and chips will serve you well. If you only manage to eat one thing though, let it be the sticky toffee desert: sweet-tooth heaven! Then you can just kick back and relax in the chilled lounge atmosphere, or head off to the bar for yet more of those famous cocktails... if you dare! *Souk Al Bahar, 04 368 4501*

