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There's a whiff of excitement in the air as the final four *MasterChef* contestants – Kate Bracks, Michael Weldon, Dani Venn and Alana Lowes – arrive at the OK studios, just as they did back in January for their top 24 photo shoot.

A lot has happened since then, and while the buzz remains, it stems from something other than just the sheer excitement of being in a magazine shoot.

'We've been packing,' reveals Alana, who is not alone in her joy that there are only 12 days remaining until she returns home. 'I've been sending cookbooks back for a couple of weeks now,' says Kate, who can't wait to see her three young children. Dani's looking forward to shopping. 'My mum's been sending me clothes. I haven't bought anything new in ages!' she says. And Michael is also planning on hitting the shops upon his exit – his lucky socks are looking a little worse for wear! 'I only have two pairs of socks in here, so as you can

imagine, I'm doing a lot of sock washing at the moment...' he admits.

First though, the foursome must face the most important week on *MasterChef*'s bill of fare – finals week. And while there are plenty of nerves, there's also a lot of anticipation. Apart from the extra kilos, the memories of crying in front of world-renowned chefs and their new-found addiction to adrenaline, the cream of this crop will be taking home the title of *MasterChef* 2011 – and that's something almost too surreal for these finalists to digest... >

