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**Music**  
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# Chesterfield | Studios Musical Theatre Workshops

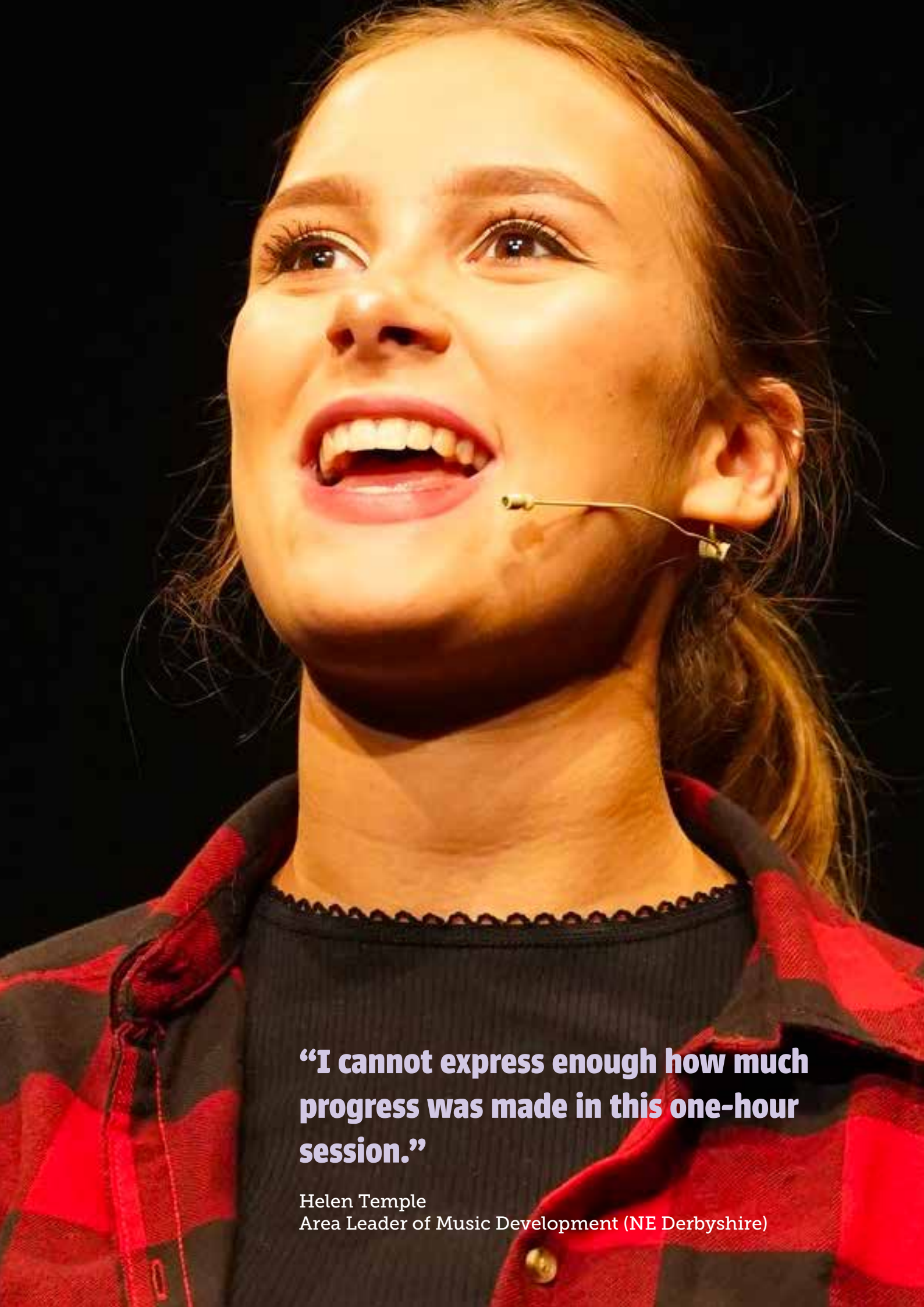
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**“I cannot express enough how much progress was made in this one-hour session.”**

Helen Temple  
Area Leader of Music Development (NE Derbyshire)



Chesterfield Studios musical theatre workshops for schools reflect the training we provide to young people on a day-to-day basis. The workshops offer a high-impact session, firmly grounded on a 'process not product' methodology where students are encouraged to actively take part and do their best.

All workshops are tailored to fit the needs of the school. We are able to work on a broad and varied repertoire, either providing works to use in the sessions or building a session around a particular musical the school chooses, perhaps in preparation for an upcoming school performance.

During the course of the workshop, participants will be taught the chosen songs, and given some context into the style and character of the piece, before some staging and choreography is rehearsed, in preparation for a relaxed showing of work at the end of the day.

A Musical Theatre workshop offers students the opportunity to have fun as well as participate in a music-based session that is very different to their usual school music experience.

It can be used as a tool to inspire intrigue in forthcoming school productions or to reward students at the end of term, or perhaps to give students more arts provision in schools where arts subjects are on a carousel system.

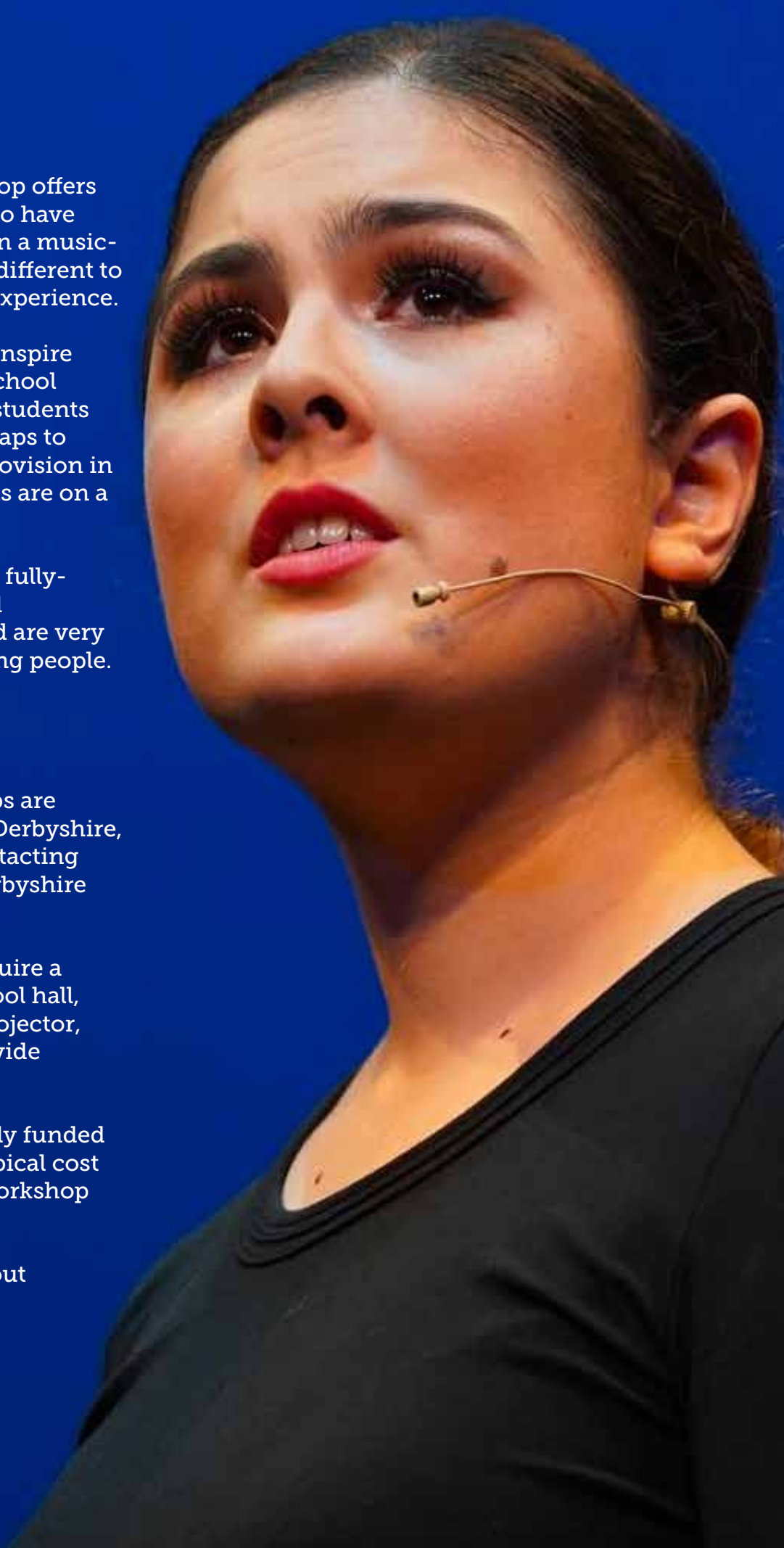
Our workshop tutors have fully-enhanced DBS checks and safeguarding training, and are very used to working with young people.

Musical Theatre workshops are available to all schools in Derbyshire, and can be booked by contacting your area leader at the Derbyshire Music Hub.

In general, workshops require a large space, such as a school hall, a piano, PA system and projector, though we are able to provide equipment if necessary.

The workshops are partially funded by the Hub making the typical cost to schools for a full-day workshop £xxx

You can find out more about Chesterfield Studios at [chesterfieldstudios.co.uk](http://chesterfieldstudios.co.uk)



# How the day works

It is at the sole discretion of the school as to what year groups take part in the workshops. Participants can be drawn from the school as appropriate. In the example below, the school, which operates a 5-period day, chose to work with all of Y9 in its multi-purpose hall. The year group was split into two halves, returning to timetabled classes while not in the workshop.

The delivery of the workshop is dealt with solely by its leaders, however, timetabled-teachers are asked to help to supervise the work throughout the day.

In the final session, the work is shared with the other participating group, though there is always scope to share work with other year groups if that fits into the timetable.

1	2	3	4	5
8.50am -9.50am	9.50am - 10.50am	11.10am - 12.10pm	12.10pm - 1.10pm	2.00pm - 3.00pm
Group 1	Group 1	Group 2	Group 2	Group 1 and 2
Warm ups and Big Sing (2 songs)	-Context and communication -Movement -Putting it together	Warm ups and Big Sing (2 songs)	-Context and communication -Movement -Putting it together	-Recap and rehearsal -Showing of work

The day is perfectly adaptable to schools that run a 6-period day, with period 5 being used to further recap and rehearse work before a final showing in the last period of the day.

There is no set number of participants - we are able to work with large groups or smaller numbers. We would suggest that there is an upper limit of around 45 students per group.

Within a primary setting, the workshop can be adapted to work with a single group of students throughout the day, offering a focussed but broader musical theatre experience, incorporating games and exercises throughout the rehearsal sessions.

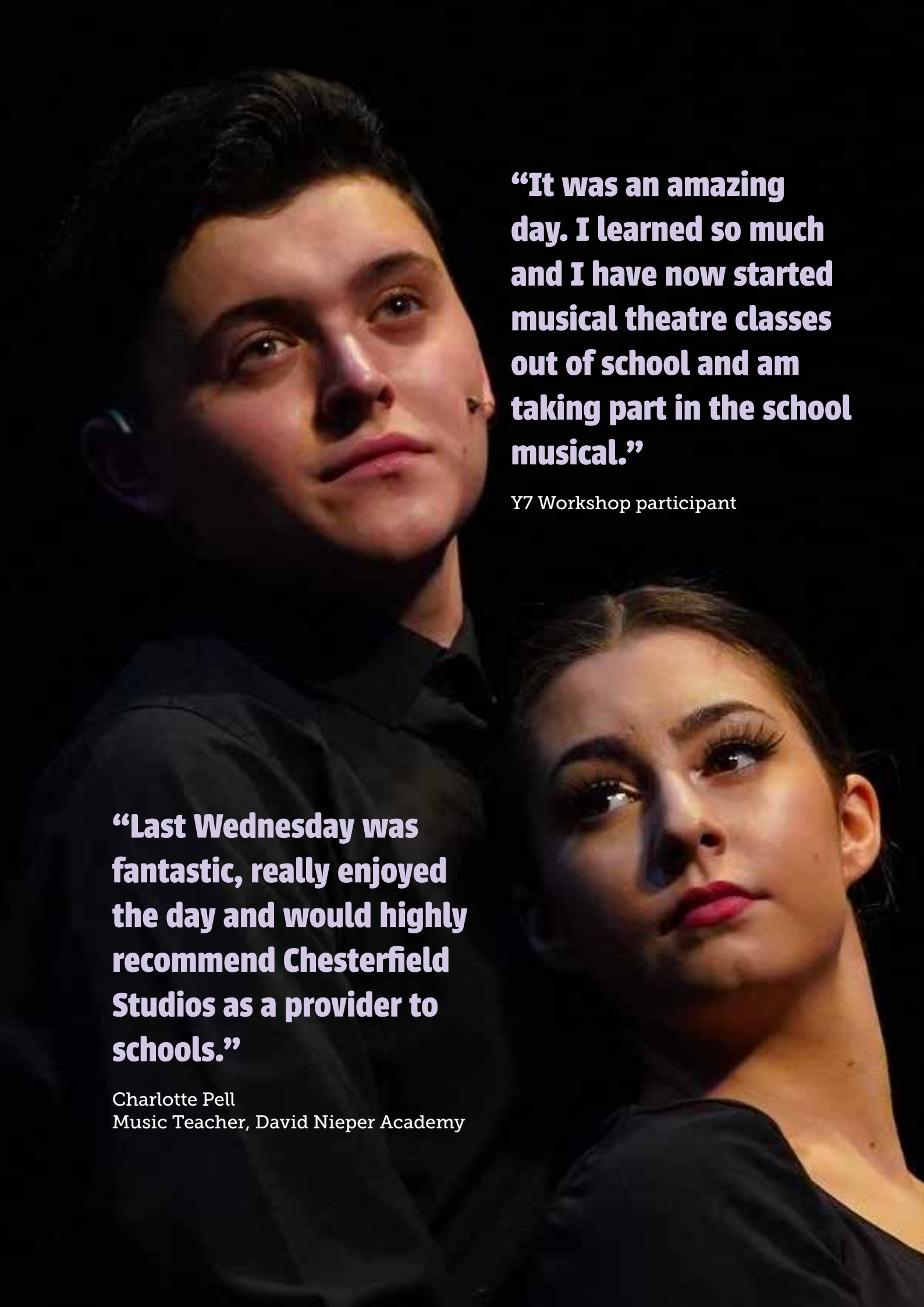


Chesterfield Studios is a centre for young people to participate in and nurture their love for the performing arts.

Established in 2009, Chesterfield Studios leads the way in innovative performing arts training for young people.

Chesterfield Studios is Council for Dance, Drama and Musical Theatre Recognised School, specialising in musical theatre classes and productions made up of young people from north-east Derbyshire, promoting the three key skills to train and develop musical theatre performers; dancing, singing and acting.

Children and young people from pre-school to university are catered for in a broad range of classes, split according to age, and led by qualified teachers and working industry professionals.



**“It was an amazing day. I learned so much and I have now started musical theatre classes out of school and am taking part in the school musical.”**

Y7 Workshop participant

**“Last Wednesday was fantastic, really enjoyed the day and would highly recommend Chesterfield Studios as a provider to schools.”**

Charlotte Pell  
Music Teacher, David Nieper Academy



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