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Pupils make the potion for chilling musical

CRUCIBLE the chemistry teacher conjures up a potion to ensure intelligence and sophistication and decided to try it out on a pupil at Elthorne School.

The pupil Silvester Jekyll, played by Craig Cremin, 16 in the Hanwell school's latest production *I was a Teenage Jekyll and Hyde* is being performed on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next week.

About 30 pupils are taking part in the musical being produced by teacher Elizabeth Nisbet.

Crucible, the chemistry teacher, played by Panicos Panayiotou (17) is pictured with one of his failed experiments, Slasher, posed by Micah Watkis (13).

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For years Eustace Crucible, crazed chemistry teacher, has strived to find a formula to enhance his appearance and make him intelligent (er, more intelligent). But courage fails him at the moment of truth and he persuades downtrodden Silvester Jekyll to drink the potion. Silvester is immediately transformed into Hyde, a super-cool, handsome, laid back youth - in fact the exact opposite of Silvester. We follow Hyde's experiences at the School Dance - where he even usurps the teenage idol Ricky Fantasy (alias Bernard Clapfish) the band's singer and "narrator" of this story - and against a gang of muggers, whilst Inspector Ticket of Scotland Yard and Mr and Mrs Jekyll search in vain for Silvester. Between momentary flashbacks to his real self Hyde learns of people's true feelings for Silvester and in the end decides to "be himself", giving the top-up dose of potion to Miss Wren-placket, clueless music teacher in love with Crucible! Interspersed with the main action we see Crucible and some of his laboratory "experiments" as well as teenagers' problems of early love.