



BEST IN CLASS: The students collect their certificates at Warwick University

STUDENTS' APPLIANCE OF SCIENCE

Physicists of the future rewarded

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BUDDING scientists have picked up awards at a ceremony at Warwick University.

A total of 19 sixth form students studying AS Levels across the city and county were named Coventry and Warwickshire Physicists of the Year at an event held at the university's Physics Lecture Theatre earlier this week.

Organiser Ally Caldecote, Ogden School Teacher Fellow based in the Department of Physics, said: "These are the people who could be pushing back the boundaries of science and making mind blowing discoveries in the next generation.

"They really could be the leading scientists of tomorrow. It's been an absolute privilege to honour them all."

The winners, who were all nominated by their teachers, were given a certificate and a £25 book voucher each, along with a suggested list of science books to stimulate their curiosity even further.

The prizes were presented by Professor Malcolm Cooper, head of physics at Warwick University.

Professor Tony Arber gave an inspiring talk to the students telling them the coming years will be a very exciting time to be a physicist.

■ **The Coventry school winners were:** Sam Coppard, of Coventry Blue Coat School, Victoria Darby, of Tile Hill Wood School, Shailen Taylor, of Bishop Ullathorne School, Katrina Jackson, of King Henry VIII School, Natasha Frazer, of Caludon Castle School, Grace Megan Popay, of

Cardinal Wiseman School, Emma Moffatt, of Finham Park School, Oliver Towison, of Bablake School, Daniel Molloy, of Cardinal Newman Catholic School, and Thomas Adams, of Ernesford Grange Community School. ■ **The Warwickshire school winners were:** Francesca Tromans, of Stratford-upon-Avon Grammar School for Girls, Stratford, James Johnston, of Stratford-upon-Avon High School, Michael Kershaw, of Kenilworth School, Nunu Tao, of King's High School, Warwick, Charlotte Parker, of Rugby High School, Alex Tomkinson, of Rugby School, Zachary Dean, of King Edward VI College, Nuneaton, Rachel Martin, of Coleshill School, Coleshill, and Charlotte Mould, of The Polesworth School, Polesworth.