

Leamington Primary Science Knowledge Organiser Year 4 – States of Matter – *Changing States** Strand – Materials**



What I should already know	What I will learn	What I will learn Important words to help me		Ideas for Scientific Enquiry
the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock,	There are three states of matter. Solid Liquid Gas	States of matter	Materials can be one of three states: solids, liquids, or gases. Some materials can change from one state to another and back again.	Ingredients: plastic water bottle water balloon Alka-Seltzer tablets
paper and cardboard for particular uses • the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching. Interesting Facts • Gases are often invisible and assume the shape and volume of their container.	Particles in a solid are close together and cannot move. They can only vibrate. When water and other liquids reach a certain temperature, they change state into a solid or a gas. The temperatures that these changes happen at are called the boiling, melting or freezing point. Solid Soli	Solids	These are materials that keep their shape unless a force is applied to them. They can be hard, soft or even squashy. Solids take up the same space no matter what has happened to them.	Fill the water bottle a little more than half way with water. Add 1-2 Alka-Seltzer tablets to the water and quickly cover the top of the bottle with the balloon. The trapped gas from the carbon dioxide bubbles will cause the balloon to inflate!
		Liquids	Liquids take the shape of their container. They can change shape but do not change the amount of space they take up. They can flow or be poured.	
		Gases	Gases can spread out to completely fill the container or room they are in. They do not have any fixed shape but they do have mass.	
		Water vapour	This is water that takes the form of a gas. When water is boiled, it evaporates into water vapour.	
The air we breathe is made	If a solid is heated to its melting point, When freezing occurs, the particles	Melt	This is when a solid turns into a liquid.	
up of different	it melts and changes to a liquid. This is because the particles start to move they get colder and colder. They can	Freeze	Liquid turns to a solid during the freezing process.	
gases, but it is mostly nitrogen	faster and faster until they are able to move over and around each other. the solid structure.	Evaporate	Turn a liquid into a gas.	
and oxygen. • We can see		Condense	Turn a gas into a liquid.	1 1 1
through some solids like glass		Precipitation	Liquid or solid particles that fall from a cloud as rain, hail, sleet or snow.	