

Year 4 – Ancient Egyptians Topic and States of Matter Autumn 1, 2026

This term, our main topic is the Ancient Egyptians. In Science, we will be learning about states of matter. Below is a list of key words and phrases that are related to both of these topics. We feel it is important for the children to have some understanding of the basic vocabulary before they begin the topic. In order to support your child's learning, we would like you to spend some time talking about the meaning and understanding of these words and phrases. We encourage parents to use their home language to talk about these words and phrases to help children understand these words, especially if another language is spoken at home.

Pupil Challenge:

Are you a Word Wizard? Can you spot any of these keywords being used in the correct context outside of school (in newspapers, shops, advertisements, etc)? Earn merit points by photographing or bringing in the articles where the words are being used for us to share in class.

Ancient Egyptians

amulet
archaeologist
ancient
canopic jars
hieroglyphics
kingdom
mummification
papyrus
pharaoh
pyramid
reed
ruler
sarcophagus
scarab beetle
scroll
sphinx
symbol
tomb
Tutankhamun
cartouche

States of Matter

properties
thermometer
energy
melting
melting point
freezing
pressure
boiling
boiling point
solid
liquid
gas
material
particle
mixture
condensation
condense
collide
volume
temperature
evaporate
evaporation

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