



Year 2 Knowledge Organiser: The Great Fire of London

Key People

Thomas Farriner - Owned the bakery where the fire started.

Samuel Pepys - Wrote about the fire in his diary and reported the fire to the king.

Charles II - King of England

Thomas Bludworth - The Lord Mayor of London

Sir Christopher Wren - The architect who redesigned London after the fire.

Key Knowledge

The weather in London was hot and hadn't rained for months. Houses in London were mainly built from wood which is flammable, especially when it is very dry. The houses were also very close together, so fire could easily spread.



Key Places

Pudding Lane - Where the fire started.

The River Thames - The river that runs through London where many people escaped to.

St Pauls Cathedral - Burned down during the fire but rebuilt after the fire using designs by Sir Christopher Wren.

Vocabulary

Old new past present sequence
timeline same different famous
reliable source information Eye-witness
government

Bakery oven leather bucket flammable
fire hooks fire break gunpowder
St Pauls Cathedral The Tower of London
Thatched roof wattle and daub

1am - The fire begins

The wind begins to die down.

**Sunday 2nd
September 1666**

**Monday 3rd
September 1666**

**Tuesday 4th
September 1666**

**Wed 5th September
1666**

**Thursday 6th
September 1666**

3am - The Lord Mayor goes to look at the fire but decides it's not too bad and goes back to bed.

The fire is so big that it can be seen 60 miles away in Oxford.

St Paul's Cathedral is destroyed.

The wind changes direction towards the River Thames. Many of the fires are put out.

The final fires are extinguished.