



The Great Fire of London Year 2 – Knowledge Organiser



History-1666

1. The fire started in Thomas Farriner's bakery on Pudding Lane in 1666 and lasted 5 days.
2. It spread because houses were very dry, close packed and

made of wood and straw (thatch), and there was a strong wind.

3. The disaster made London a better and safer city: streets were widened and buildings were made stronger, more fireproof and out of brick instead of wood.
4. The fire would be different if it happened today, we have firefighters who have protective equipment, fire engines and powerful hoses

Think Like A Historian...

1. There can be more than one reason leading to an important historical event taking
2. Gathering reliable evidence helps us suggest what might have actually happened in the past

Key People



Samuel Pepys

He wrote a detailed diary about the Great Fire of London.



King Charles II

He was the King of England and Scotland at the time of the Great Fire of London. He made a speech to the people of London telling them how he would rebuild the city and how he would stop another disaster like the fire happening again.

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Monday 3rd September 1666

The fire gets very close to the Tower of London.

Tuesday 4th September 1666

St Paul's Cathedral is destroyed by the fire.

Timeline of Events

Sunday 2nd September 1666

The fire starts at around 1 a.m.
Mid-morning: Samuel Pepys starts to write about the fire in his **diary**.

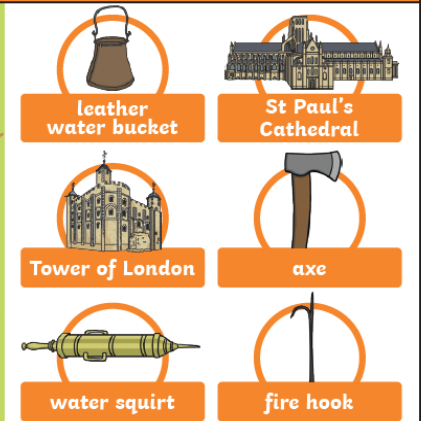
Wednesday 5th September 1666

The wind dies down and the fire spreads more slowly.

Thursday 6th September 1666

The fire is finally put out.
Thousands of people are left homeless.

Key Knowledge



Music

We will be learning the round:
 London's burning, London's burning
 Fetch the engine, fetch the engine
 Fire! Fire! Fire! Fire!
 Pour on water, pour on water.

Key Learning:

1. Rhythms are patterns of sounds that can be copied
2. Rhythms can be represented using sequences of stick notation symbols



Key Vocabulary

bakery	A shop where bread is made.
flammable	Something that catches fire.
ignite	The process of catching fire.
London	The capital city of England.
Monument	A structure to help people remember.
Thames	The river running through London.