

Knowledge Organiser: Year 2 London's Burning!

Key Vocabulary

Flammable: Something which can burn.

Fire Hook: A hook on a pole, which is used to pull down a burning building.

Fire break: The name for the gap in the fire made when a building is pulled down.

Eyewitness: Someone who sees something happen and then describes it for others.

Diary: A book somebody writes about their life in.

Samuel Pepys: An important man who kept a diary about the great Fire

King Charles II: The King of England in 1666.

Sticky Knowledge

- The Fire of London started on 2nd September 1666 in Thomas Farriner's bakery on Pudding Lane in the middle of the night. The fire lasted for 5 days.
- Samuel Pepys wrote a diary about what happened. He went to see the Lord Mayor to ask him to do something to help.
- People escaped on the River Thames on boats.
- St. Paul's Cathedral was destroyed by the fire.
- The houses were pulled down using fire hooks and people used leather buckets to try and put out the fire.
- 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.
- London was rebuilt out of bricks by Sir Christopher Wren.



Next Step:
Ks2
Timelines

D & T
Model Fire
Engines

Art
Paintings:
Depictions of
fire.

Reception: All about me