

Topic

Great Fire of London



Holy Family Halewood Year 1 and 2 History



What I will focus on in this topic:

To understand where and when the Great Fire of London started.

To understand the events of the Great Fire of London

To find out why the fire spread so quickly and stayed alight for so long.

To find out about Samuel Pepys and his diary- why are they important?

How did London change after the Great Fire of London – Why?

Key Facts:

Important People

Thomas Farriner	Owned the bakery where the fire started.
Thomas Bludworth	Lord Mayor of London
King Charles II	The King of England at the time of the fire
Samuel Pepys	Wrote about the fire in his diary and reported the fire to the King.
Sir Christopher Wren	The architect who redesigned London after the fire.

Important Places.

Pudding Lane	Where the fire started.
The Tower of London	Where many flee to escape the flames and where the wealthy deposited their valuables for safekeeping.
The River Thames	The river that runs through London – where many people escaped to.
Saint Paul's Cathedral.	Was destroyed during the fire and rebuilt using designs from Sir Christopher Wren.

Samuel Pepys



Born 23rd Feb 1633

Died 26th May 1703 (70 years old)

Wife: Elizabeth

Began writing his diary 1660 – includes

Information about the Plague (1665)

The Great Fire of London 1666.

Coronation of King Charles II (1662)

King Charles II



Born 29th May 1630

Died 6th Feb 1685 (54 years old)

Wife: Catherine of Braganza

Reigned: 1660 – 1685

Timeline of 'The Great Fire of London'

