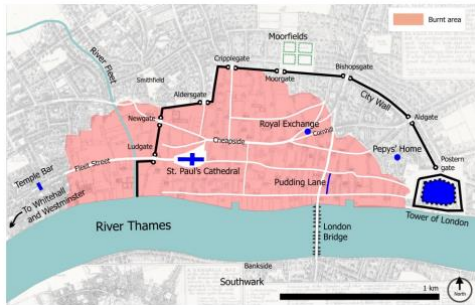


The Great Fire of London Knowledge Organiser



Key Vocabulary

bakery	A place that makes bread, cakes, buns etc
diary	A book where people write about their lives, usually each day.
leather water bucket	How water was carried to the fire
water squirter	How water was put onto the fire.
River Thames	The river running through London.
firebreak	A gap that stops a fire from spreading to nearby buildings.

Key People



Samuel Pepys

Samuel Pepys lived in London during the Great Fire of London and wrote about it in his diary.



Thomas Farriner

Thomas Farriner is the owner of the bakery on Pudding Lane where the fire started



King Charles II

King Charles II was the King of England in 1666. After the fire he said that houses must be built further apart and build from stone not wood.

Key Knowledge

The fire started on Sunday 2nd September 1666 in Thomas Farriner's bakery on Pudding Lane.

The fires used for baking were not put out properly which led to the fire to start.

The buildings in London in 1666 were mainly built out of wood and straw so the fire spread easily from one to another. There were also strong winds at the time.

Samuel Pepys wrote about the events of the fire in his diary.

People used water buckets and fire squinters to try and put the fire out but this did not work. King Charles II then ordered for buildings to be pulled down to create a firebreak. Many people escaped by boat along the River Thames.