

# Scott Primary School—History Knowledge Organiser

Topic: Great Fire of London



Year 2—Autumn 1



## Important Facts

- ❑ **The Great Fire of London happened in 1666**
- ❑ **The fire started in a bakery**
- ❑ **The fire spread because the buildings were made of wood and straw. They were also close together.**
- ❑ **Samuel Pepys wrote about the fire in his diary.**
- ❑ **King Charles II helped top put the fire out.**
- ❑ **The fire burned for four days.**
- ❑ **After the fire, houses were built of stone and not wood.**



## Key Vocabulary

Bakery	A place that bakes and sells bread and cakes
Fire hook	Long poles with a metal hook on the end used to pull houses down.
Fire squirt	A giant metal water pistol shaped object to spray water on the fire.
Fire break	A gap create to stop the fire spreading by blowing up building or pulling them down.
Diary	A book where you write down things that have happened and how you feel about them
Eye Witness	A person who has seen something and can give a description of it

## Timeline of Events

2nd September 1666 The fire starts at around 1am.	3rd September 1666 The fire gets very close to the Tower of London	4th September 1666 St Paul's Cathedral is destroyed by the fire	5th September 1666 The wind dies down and the fire stops spreading as quickly	6th September 1666 The fire is finally put out. Thousands of people are left homeless.
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## Previous Knowledge

- Toys from the past - Victorian Toys
- Transport through time—trains, horse and cart, boat
- Significant individuals