



Fire Fire!

(Autumn 2: knowledge organiser)



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 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.



Thomas Farriner



King Charles II



Samuel Pepys



Christopher Wren

Key vocabulary

The Great Fire of London	A large fire that destroyed most of London in the year 1666.
diarist	A person who writes down what happens in their life at the time.
eye-witness	A person who saw something happen and can describe it.
chronological order	The order in which things happened.
St Paul's Cathedral	A very large church in London. St Paul's Cathedral was re-built after the fire.
firebreak	A gap that stops a fire spreading to nearby buildings.

Key Questions:

- Why did the fire spread so quickly?
- What do you think they did to try to stop the Plague spreading?
- How can an eye-witness help us learn about the past?
- Was there anything good about the Great Fire of London?

Challenge:

How would **YOU** re-build London?



leather bucket



water squirt



fire hook