

# Out of the Ashes - Why did the great fire destroy so much of London?

245 million  
Dinosaurs

0 Jesus

1605  
Gun powder plot

1666  
Great fire of London

2000  
New millennium

2022  
King Charles III

2023  
Present

## Overview

### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 1666

The fire starts at around 1 am in a **bakery**.  
Mid-morning: Samuel Pepys starts to write about the fire in his **diary**.

### Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 1666

The fire gets very close to the Tower of London. People try to escape on the **River Thames** with their possessions.

### Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 1666

**St Paul's Cathedral** is destroyed by the fire.

### Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 1666

The wind dies down and the fire spreads more slowly.

### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September 1666

The fire is finally put out. Thousands of people are left homeless.

## Key Vocabulary

<b>bakery</b>	A shop where bread is made and sold.
<b>diary</b>	A book that people write about their lives in.
<b>fire engine</b>	A vehicle that carries things used to put out fires.
<b>firefighter</b>	People who put out fires as their job.
<b>St Paul's Cathedral</b>	A very large church in London. <b>St Paul's Cathedral</b> was <b>rebuilt</b> by Sir Christopher Wren after the fire.
<b>rebuilt</b>	Building something again after it has been broken or destroyed.
<b>River Thames</b>	The river that runs through the middle of London.
<b>17<sup>th</sup> century</b>	From the year 1601 to 1700. The Great Fire of London happened in the <b>17<sup>th</sup> century</b> , in 1666.

## Key People



Thomas Farriner



King Charles II

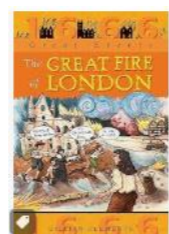


Sir Christopher Wren



Samuel Pepys

## Resources we use



## Links to other learning

### Science:

materials – wood – thatch – metal – glass – brick – rock - paper – cardboard -  
waterproof – rigid – flammable – opaque – transparent – strong – fair test

### DT:

Tudor house – joining – fixing – thatch – wood – design – make – 3d model –  
evaluate – investigate different joining processes

Where did the fire start?

When was the Great Fire of London?

Key Questions

Why did the fire spread so quickly?

What happened after the fire?