



# History Knowledge Organiser

## The Great Fire of London

### Key Vocabulary

Fire  
Bakery  
Buildings  
Churches  
Cathedrals  
Diary  
River Thames  
Congestion  
Spread



### Summary

The Great Fire of London started in a Bakery on Pudding Lane at 1 o'clock in the morning on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 1666. People had to flee their homes as more than 13,000 buildings were destroyed including churches and St Pauls Cathedral. The wind and dry weather contributed in the spread of the fire as it continued to burn across London for 5 days.

### People

Samuel Pepys    Thomas Farriner    The Lord Mayor



### Main Events

- **Date-** 2<sup>nd</sup> September 1666
- **Who-** Samuel Pepys wrote a diary about the event.
- **How-** The fire was started by a spark from the embers in the oven.
- **The spread of the fire -** Houses were built very close together and made out of material that burns easily.