

History Vision Map

Year 2 – Events Beyond Living Memory: The Great Fire of London 1666

Crucial Knowledge

- The Great Fire of London was a huge fire in London.
- It started in Pudding Lane on the 2nd September 1666.
- The fire spread so quickly because houses were close together. Most houses were made from thatch (straw) and there wasn't a fire brigade (service). *Note: straw catches and spreads fire quicker than bricks or wood.*
- Samuel Pepys was a man who watched the fire and wrote a diary about what he saw.
- King Charles II was the King of England at the time of the fire.

Intent

- Recap: Changes in Living Memory (Year 1).
- Houses during 1666
- The start of the fire: Pudding Lane
- Spread of the fire
- Stopping the fire
- Samuel Pepys
- Impact: the fire service, St Paul's Cathedral