

London's Burning!

History, DT & Computing

We will build on what we have already learnt in Year 1 about 'The Great Fire of London' in History. We will uncover why the fire spread so quickly by considering which materials were used to build Tudor houses. We will discover that Samuel Pepys was significant in what we know about the fire because he wrote diaries about what happened. We will consider the impact of the fire as we look at maps and photos of London in the past and London now. We will use Computing skills to interview eyewitnesses of the event.

In Forest School, we will design, create and make houses from different materials. We will observe what happens as we burn the houses over an open fire!

Music

We will focus on singing expressively as we learn songs about 'The Great Fire of London'. Excitingly, we will build on the ocarina lessons that we had in Year 1 to play the melody of London's Burning!

RE

We will explore why light is an important symbol to some faiths this half term. We will look at the meaning of light during Christmas, Diwali and Hanukah. We will make a Christingle and learn what each part of the Christingle represents for Christians. Finally, we will create a circle of light in our Christingle service.

PE

Premier Sports Coaches will deliver our Gymnastic where we will work with a partner to create mirror balances and perform a sequence of balances using control. In Games, we will improve our sending and receiving skills. We will focus on aiming at a target using underarm and overarm throws.

English

We will link English with History by focusing on non-fiction texts. We will explore the purpose of titles, subheadings and grouping facts as we write fact sheets about the events of the Great Fire of London. We will focus on using accurate punctuation, using descriptive sentences and conjunctions to join and extend sentences.

Maths

We will focus on addition and subtraction. We will solve problems using concrete objects and pictorial representations before moving onto solving numerical addition and subtraction calculations. We will become increasingly confident in using mental and written methods to find answers to problems. We will explore the properties of 2D and 3D shapes and use this knowledge to create patterns.

PSHE & Online Safety

During Circle times, we will look at feelings and how we can communicate how we are feeling with others. We will understand the importance of respecting emotions of others.

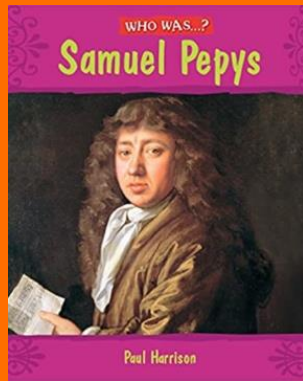
We will identify rules that can help us and others to feel safe when we are online.



Year 2

In History, we will ask the Big Question Why did London burn in 1666?

Key Texts & Websites



[The Great Fire of London 1666 - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

<https://www.literacyshed.com/puddinglane.html#>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/history-great-fire-of-london-image-slideshow/zdtmfr>

Who?



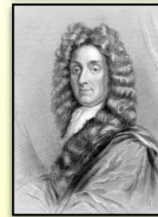
Thomas Farriner
Owned the bakery where the fire started.



King Charles II
The king of England at the time of the fire.



Samuel Pepys
Wrote diaries that tell us what happened.



Christopher Wren
An architect who was responsible for rebuilding churches after the fire.

When? From *Sunday, 2nd September 1666*
To *Wednesday, 5th September 1666*

What?

Diary



Fire



Cart



Bakery



Flames



Thatched roof



Candle



Fire hook



Monument



Where?



Pudding Lane



London



The River Thames



The Tower of London

Play this Great Fire of London Game!

<https://www.fireoflondon.org.uk/game/>