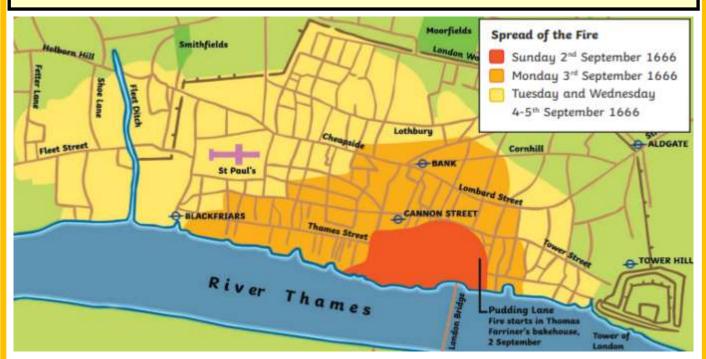
THE GREAT FIRE OF LONDON - HISTORY - SPRING 1



| Key vocabulary | |
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| 17th Century | From the year 1601 to 1700. The Great Fire of London happened in the 17th century, in 1666. |
| diary | A book that people write about their lives in. |
| past | Something that already happened. |
| primary source | An artefact, document or any original object found from the past. |

Why did the fire spread?

The Great Fire of London started in a bakery on Pudding Lane owned by Thomas Farriner. In 1666, the buildings in London were made of wood and straw and they were very close together which made it easy for the flames to spread. People used leather buckets and water squirts to try to put the fire out but these did not work. King Charles II ordered buildings to be pulled down to stop the flames from spreading. Samuel Pepys wrote a diary about what happened.

