

The Great Fire of London Walk



The Past Brought to Life

DESCRIPTION

This walk provides a graphic description of the events of the September 1666 when the Great Fire devastated the City of London. We follow the course of the Great Fire in 1666 from its origin in Pudding Lane to St Pauls Cathedral.

On route we look at the streets, houses and Churches of 17th Century London and investigate Stuart fire fighting techniques. The walk puts the Great Fire in the context of the time – Civil War, anti-catholicism, Plague, and the commercial development of London. We also look at the rebuilding of the City after the Great Fire.

The walk brings to life 17th Century London – it has a dramatic narrative and is suitable for keeping pupils interest.

Curriculum Links and options

The walk can be tailored for all academic levels from Keystage 1 to adult. Optionally the tour can begin with a climb up the Monument or end with a tour of the interior of St Pauls or can end at the Museum of London.

SUGGESTED ITINERARY

- MONUMENT UNDERGROUND** – meeting point
- PUDDING LANE** – where the Great Fire Started
- MONUMENT TO THE GREAT FIRE** – the main road to London Bridge
- ROYAL EXCHANGE** – burnt down in the Great Fire
- GUILDHALL** – glowing like a gilded palace
- ST PAULS CATHEDRAL** – burnt down in the Great Fire!
- AMEN CORNER** – a terrace rebuilt after the Great Fire
- ST BRIDE'S** – Pepys' parents Church
- FLEET STREET** – where the Great Fire Stopped

Time Taken

We suggest leaving 1.30 – 2 hours for the walk, and 40 mins - 1 hour in the Museum.

BOOKING DETAILS: The walk lasts a maximum of 2 hours and depends on the age group.. Allow an extra hour for any visits taken. Walk £3.50 per pupil, accompanying adults free. Minimum booking fee of £110.00. We need 2 accompanying adults for a class. **Contact:** Kevin Flude on 07958 322011 or 020 8 806 4325. Please feel free to ring in the evening or email me at kpflude@chr.org.uk

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