



Knowledge Organiser- Charles II: Plague and Fire- History

Key Vocabulary	Definition
Restoration	The restoration of 1660 marked the return of Charles II to the throne after the Commonwealth (when England didn't have a king)
Royal Society	The oldest national scientific society in the world. Scientists can become members and meet to share their ideas.
Bubonic Plague	A disease which causes painful, swollen lumps, black hands and feet and flu-like symptoms. In 1665, fleas carried on rats spread the plague across London, resulting in the deaths of approximately 15% of the population
Plague Doctor	A doctor who was hired to treat victims of the plague
Fire hook	A hook used to pull down buildings to stop the fire from spreading

Sir Christopher Wren



Samuel Pepys



A plague doctor

1665

The Great Plague of London (the Bubonic Plague) killed 15% of the population.



1685

Charles II died in 1685, converting to Catholicism on his deathbed. The throne was left to his brother.

1660

Charles II restored to the throne. In this year he also help found the Royal Society.



1666

On 2nd September, the Great Fire of London swept through the city, destroying most of the buildings

