

Fire! Fire!

KS1

Teacher notes

Duration: **45 minutes**

Meeting Point: **Tower of London: Salt Tower courtyard**

It is 1666 and London is ablaze. The fire is spreading east approaching the Tower's doorstep... and the fortress is filled with gunpowder!

Children will meet a costumed presenter who will describe these terrible events and tell the story of Mr Pepys watching the flames from inside the ancient Tower walls. This session uses role play to bring the story of the Great Fire of London to life.

Learning objectives

Children will:

- Learn about key features of the Great Fire of London through questioning and participation
- Compare and contrast life today with life in the 1600's
- Discover more about Samuel Pepys and his written record of events

National Curriculum links

This session supports:

History:

- The lives of significant individuals (Samuel Pepys)
- Significant events beyond living memory
- Similarities and differences between ways of life in different periods

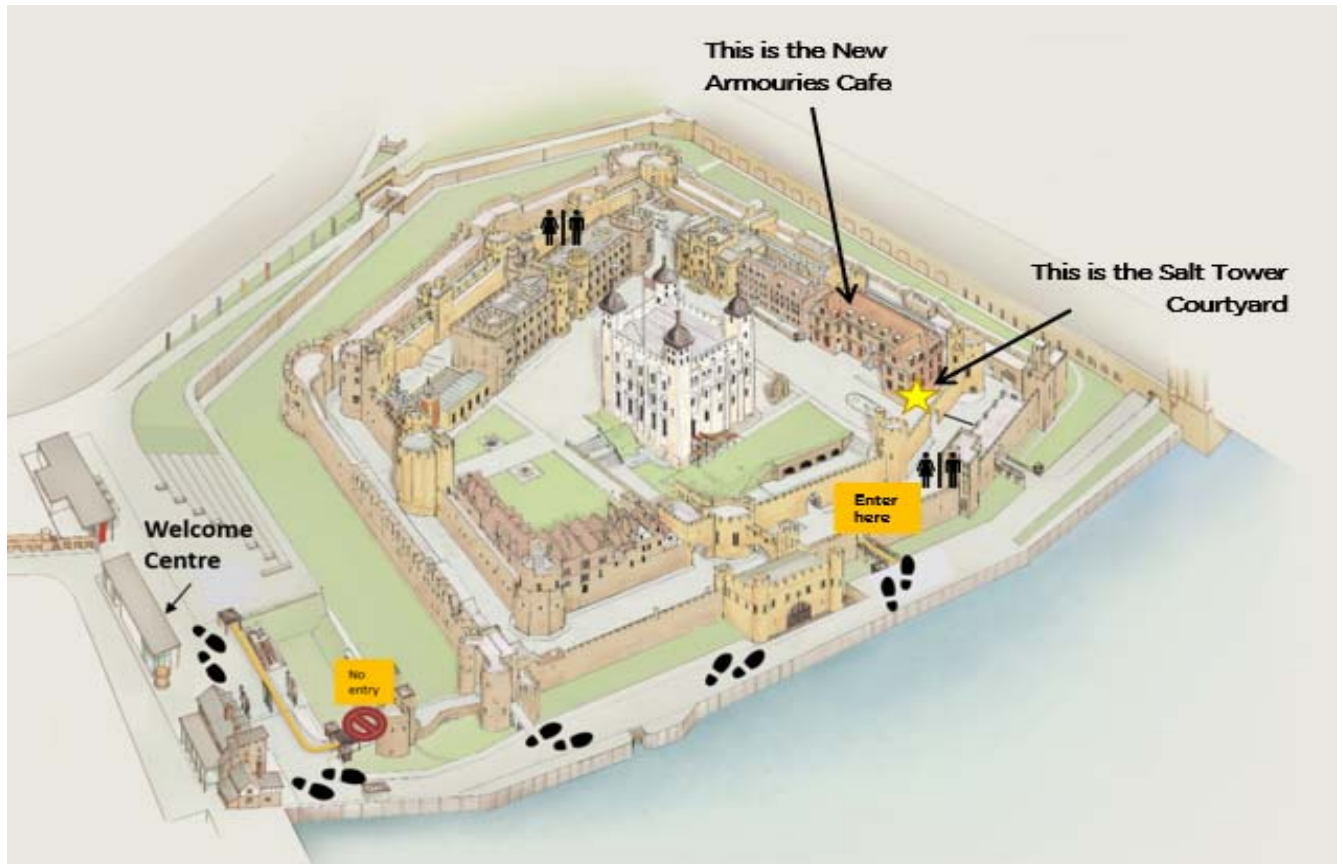
During your session

Please note that the 1:5 staff-to-child ratio which we ask for throughout your visit still applies during your session. We ask that sufficient adults remain with the group as they will be encouraged to join in with the session activities. For Health & Safety reasons, our sessions are for a maximum of 35 pupils.

(Map overleaf)



Please meet your workshop presenter at the **Salt Tower Courtyard**. This is marked on the map below with a star. The courtyard is located next to the New Armouries cafe.



This is where your costumed presenter will meet you at your allocated start time. We recommend being there a few minutes early.

For your information, the session you have booked takes place on the visitor route. Part of this session includes time outside, so please encourage your pupils to dress accordingly.

