Year 8Knowledge Organiser 1: The Stuart Age

Key Events				
1	1603	Elizabeth I dies, James VI of Scotland becomes James I of England		
2	1605	Gunpowder Plot – Catholic plan to blow up Parliament and King James.		
3	1625	James I dies - his oldest son Charles becomes King Charles I.		
4	1629	The Personal Rule of Charles I starts - he closes down Parliament for 11 years.		
5	1640	The Personal Rule comes to an end – Parliament is reopened		
6	1642	The English Civil War starts		
7	1649	Execution of Charles I		
8	1653	Oliver Cromwell is made Lord Protector of England.		
9	1660	Restoration of the Monarchy – Charles II becomes King		
10	1665	The Great Plague of London		



James I

James was both King of England and Scotland, and joined the two nations together. He was the target of the Gunpowder Plotters. He believed in the Divine Right of Kings, the belief that God gave King's their power, and therefore could not be argued with by anyone.



Charles I

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Oliver Cromwell

The eldest son on James Oliver Cromwell was an I, Charles also believed MP, who rose to fame in the Divine Right of due to New Model Kings. This led to Army in the English Civil War. After the war, he Parliament, which in the was one of the MP's end led to the English who signed Charles I Civil War. Charles death warrant. He later eventually loses, and is became Lord Protector the only King to be put of England, leader of on trial and executed by England until his death in 1658.



Charles II

Charles II, son of Charles I, was in hiding in France after his father was beheaded. When Oliver Cromwell died he started to plan his return. In 1660, he successfully landed and paraded through London to cheering crowds. Often called "The Merry Monarch"

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