Medieval Towns
Keywords

- Town Walls Dirty
- Toll Smelly
- Gate Rubbish
- High street Drain
- Church Black Death
- Gothic Fair
- Market Square Charter
- Curfew Council
- Mayor Corporation
• Wars were common so towns protected themselves with high walls

• Gates were guarded and if you wanted to sell anything you had to pay a tax

• The main street was called the High Street

• Churches were built in the gothic style
• Market square was where peasants came once a week to sell fruit and vegetables

• Curfew is french for cover the fire. It was when you had to put the fire out.
• Towns were dirty. An open drain ran down the middle of the street where people threw the contents of their chamber pots.

• The Black Death was a plague that was carried by the black rat.
The fair was held once a year and took place on the fairgreen. Merchants sold hard to get products and there was entertainments from jugglers to bears.
Charter from the king

• The king allowed a town to run its own affairs in return for a tax.

• They could elect a council or corporation to run their town.