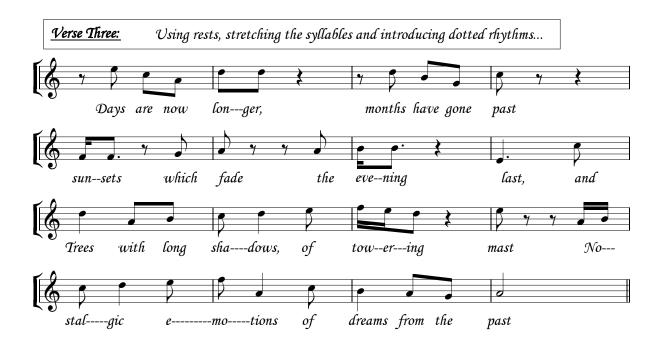
## Points to consider when writing your own poem...

- If the length of each verse is the same, the music can be written with a sense of rhythmical symmetry and pulse throughout.
- When each verse is linked through a common theme or subject, it is easier to create melodic ideas which relate to the text.
- Choosing the words is very important, consider the sound of each syllable in relation to the atmosphere or character being portrayed.
- Explore metaphors which have the potential of being stretched and coloured through melodic development and harmony.
- Using rhyme is a very good way of making the text memorable and provides opportunities to experiment with melodic repetition, imitation and sequence.









 $\underline{\textit{Verse Four.}} \quad \textit{Creating strong rhythmic drive from dotted rhythms...}$ 

