

## LE JARDIN DE DOLLY (DOLLY'S GARDEN) - FAURÉ

### Context

Dolly was the daughter of a friend of the composer, Fauré, who wrote the *Dolly Suite* in her honour. It contains six separate pieces: *Berceuse*, *Mi-a-ou*, *Le jardin de Dolly*, *Kitty-valse*, *Tendresse* and *Le pas espagnol*.

### Teaching and Learning

- This is an expressive piece of music in 3-time
- The main instrumental sounds are produced by woodwind (flute), harp and strings.
- Words that might be used when describing the music: sweet, soft, calm, elegant, peaceful.
- Here is an outline score of the first few bars.

*Dolly's Garden*



### Activities for Children

- What are the sounds that you hear outside in the garden? Birds? Fluttering leaves? Lawns being cut? Dog and cat sounds? A squeaky swing? A water hose? Can you compose a soundscape lasting thirty seconds in which you re-create a garden scene? Use your own voices and classroom percussion. Write down on paper the events so that other people might try and perform your piece in the future. Give the piece a name.

