"<u>sa</u>-" is coloured by a sob-like, raw emotional quality.

The note develops through a crescendo—not one that is free and spinning, but rather through a slightly **effortful, straightened tone**, as if pressing on the note as it grows.

This colour reflects an emotional dissonance—the gentleness of the days seeming dearer as it begins to slip between the fingers.

A silent "h" sound is articulated to free up the voice. The two semiquavers ornament notes are then sung quickly with a flourish, nudging the phrase forwards—as if shaking off the feelings brought about by this vulnerable moment.