

# *Music Terms*

*3rd Quarter – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade*

**Dynamic** – the volume of the music

**Forte** – loud

**Fortissimo** – very loud

**Piano** – soft

**Pianissimo** – very soft

**Crescendo** – to gradually get louder

**Tempo** – the speed of the music

**Allegro** – fast

**Largo** - slow

**Staccato** – detached and separated

**Accent** – to add emphasis on a beat

**Meter Signature** – the rhythmic division of the music

> - normal accent

^ - strong accent

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**In 3/4 Time:**

- Eighth notes receive 1/2 beat
- Half notes receive 2 beats

**In 6/8 Time:**

- Eighth notes receive 1 beat
- Eighth rests receive 1 beat