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| 9 | Mon | | Service at Cedars | 2:30pm | Cedars Nursing Home |
| 10 | Tues | | Landford PCC | 7:30pm |  |
| 11 | Wed | | “Stepping Stones” | 9:15am | Landford Methodist Hall |
|  |  | | “New Forest Filling Station” | 7:30pm | Brockenhurst Village Hall |
| 12 | Thurs | | “Mindfulness” – A Taster Session | 9:30am | Landford Methodist Hall |
| 14 | Sat | | Wedding | 1:00pm | Landford Church |
| **15** | **Sun** | | **Family Service & Holy Communion Rev David Bacon** | **9:30am** | **Bramshaw Church** |
|  | | | **Joint Harvest Service Rev David Bacon *(Followed by lunch)*** | **11:00am** | **Landford Methodist Church** |
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|  | | | **Harvest Thanksgiving – Rev David Bacon** | **3:00pm** | **Plaitford Church** |
| 26 | | Thurs | Communion at Cedars | 11:00am | Cedars Nursing Home |
| **29** | | **Sun** | **Holy Communion – Rev David Bacon** | **9:30am** | **Bramshaw Church** |
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And yet, we never do truly “start again”. This September, our school will be full of little reminders of new life – our Reception children look so small in their new uniforms but by Christmas they’ll be seasoned pros. And each September (or January) will see us not going back to where we were but starting from a new place often with new challenges to face and opportunities to grasp.

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