Themes	Concept	Language Arts		<u>Math</u>		<u>Science</u>	
Celebrations/Hol	lidays Grade Three	Activities	Resources	<u>Activities</u>	Resources	Activities	Resources
winter	New Years	As a class read Fiddle Dancer by Burton and Patton	Fiddle Dancer by Burton and Patton Dancing in Bones by Burton and Patton.	As a class list all the parts of a fun New Year's Day -food		Discuss: Why is New Years a new beginning? What are the signs in Nature that a	How Spring Defeats Winter in Keeper of the Earth by Bruchac and Kaduto
Respect Sharing Compassion Success Generosity Self-esteem Trust Cooperation Conflict resolution		Focus on the New Years celebration. List events on board How do we celebrate the new year in Ile a la Crosse? Add to list on board. Have small groups read the English portion of Dancing in Bones by Burton and Patton. Have groups create a storyboard that shows how Nolin and his Moushoom spent New Years Day Remind students we say Mushoom in Ile a la Crosse. Michif language varies by		-music -games -sports -resolutions In partners have students create a one question survey about one aspect of New Years Day. Eg Food What meat do they eat for New Year's supper? Students survey their classmates and create a pictograph displaying their information.		Pays getting longer after winter solstice Dec 21 - Marks halfway point of cold weather we are now moving towards spring - Starting to plan for spring growth and renewal - Halfway done school year etc. Students read p129 How Spring Defeats Winter in Keeper of the Earth by Bruchac and Kaduto Student questions: Do you like cold or hot better? Do you like having 4 seasons? Why or why not? How do seasons affect people now? People long ago? Animals? Plants? What causes the seasons? Use information guide on p.131 to show and explain the seasons in Northern Hemisphere.	
		location. CELS: CRITICAL AND CREATIVE THINKING PERSONAL AND SOCIAL VALUES AND SKILLS COMMUNICATION.		CELS: NUMERACY COMMUNICATION CRITICAL AND CREATIVE THINKING		CELS: CRITICAL AND CREATIVE THINKING COMMUNICATION	

Social Studies		Health		A	arts	Phys. Ed	
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Activities Recall Dancing in Bones by Burton and Patton. As a class create a Venn diagram showing how their New Years Day would be compared to Nolin's. Students create a poster showing the community of Ile a la Crosse celebrating the New Year. Students should include the 5 w's. Discuss how our New Yea's Day would be different if we lived in a hot climate. Students write a learning log. If it was hot in Ile a la Crosse I would start the New Year by	Resources Dancing in Bones by Burton and Patton	Activities Laughing is part of Métis culture. Students will participate in a sharing circle. What does your family laugh at? How does that make you feel? Teacher read Dancing in Bones by Burton and Patton. What jokes are told in the story? Have students draw a picture of their family laughing. Students retell a funny story or make up a funny story or joke	Resources Dancing in Bones by Burton and Patton.	Activities As a class listen to the jigs on the CD of the story Dancing in Bones by Burton and Patton. Have students clap to the beat of the music Have students use a rhythm instrument to the beat of the music first all at once and then one at a time Ensure that spoons are one of the rhythm instruments available Study the artwork in the book Dancing in Bones by Burton and Patton. Note the use of white on the center page. Using dark blue construction paper and crayons create a winter	Resources Dancing in Bones by Burton and Patton.	Activities Have students practice the red river jig using the music from the CD of the book Dancing in Bones by Burton and Patton. Make sure the students Practice the Cross step Bunny step Gallop	Resources Dancing in Bones by Burton and Patton.
CELS: COMMUNICATION CRITICAL AND CREATIVE THIINKING		CELS: CRITICAL AND CREATIVE THINKING PERSONAL AND SOCIAL VALUES AND SKILLS		night scene. Use white chalk to add snow, clouds CELS: CRITICAL AND CREATIVE THINKING COMMUNICATION		CELS: CRITICAL AND CREATIVE THINKING	