



# News and Updates

Spring 2015

Greetings!

Welcome to our first Colonial Fund newsletter! As a supporter of Shrewsbury Public Schools, we want you to see the impact your donation is having in our classrooms as well as tell you about events we have coming in the future.

## Colonial Fund Update

In November, we announced our goal of raising \$25,000 and attracting 100 new donors by the end of this school year. So far, we've raised \$6,435 from 94 donors, 24 of whom are new donors this year. Visit the [Colonial Fund website](#) or click below to donate and help fund classroom innovation for the next school year.

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## iPads make their debut in Fourth Grade classes



Thanks to your donation to the Colonial Fund, we were able to launch a Fourth Grade Digital Classroom Pilot in all of our elementary schools this January. This pilot provides one iPad at school for every two students and is designed to discover

how we might best improve student access to technology at the elementary level.

Combined with interactive white boards, the iPads bring a new level of excitement to the classroom. Students and teachers alike have been complementing their curriculum with access to online videos and pictures, sharing comments on each other's stories, collaborating on projects and engaging in new ways to learn!

Please visit the [Colonial Fund website](#) for pictures and stories about this exciting pilot program.

## Dining & Donating

### A perfect combination!

Last fall, we started our semi-weekly "Dine & Donate" events where local restaurants take 15-20% of meal sales from Shrewsbury patrons and donate them to the Shrewsbury Public Schools Colonial Fund. These have been a popular, fun night out for families and friends. To date, we have brought in almost \$800! Visit our [Colonial Fund Facebook](#) page frequently for updates on our next Dine & Donate event.



There is still time to visit [Dean Park Pizza](#) during the month of March and support the Colonial Fund. All tips donated to their tip jar at the takeout counter will be donated to the Colonial Fund. Also, on March 10th and March 24th, Dean Park donated 15% of the bill from everyone who brought in [this flyer](#). Help us to say THANK YOU to Dean Park for their generosity!

## Road Scholars Road Race



Mark your calendars for Sunday, April 12th. Registration is now open for the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Shrewsbury Road Scholars Race. Each year, this race raises approximately \$7,000 for the Shrewsbury Public Schools. Sign up now for the 5k or 1 mile fun run - no running experience is necessary! All proceeds benefit the Colonial Fund. Please Like our [Road Scholars Facebook page](#) to receive updates and visit our race [website](#) to register.

Thank you again for your support of the Shrewsbury Public Schools Colonial Fund. With your help, great things are possible.

Sincerely,

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