Join the *RGSMusic* label on NUMU!

What is NUMU?
NUMU is a safe community for you to create your own web page where you can publish your music, discover new music and connect with other students doing the same thing. It is only for school students (you have to be under 19 and at school).

What do you mean by 'a safe community'?
NUMU is about sharing ideas and collaborating within a safe and secure network. It is a positive environment, which has a code of conduct, which, for example, does not tolerate bad language or offensive comments. Everyone at RGS who wants to sign up to NUMU is checked, and their uploads are also checked until they become 'trusted'. No personal details are visible on the site – you have a username and do not use your own name. There is also no advertising on the site.

What happens when I join NUMU?
You become an 'artist' on the *RGSMusic* label, and get given your own webpage where you can upload music (your own compositions or your performances of other people's music). Your uploads will get 'listens' by other students, both at RGS and across the world, and the most listened-to tracks will be in the RGSMusic chart and perhaps even in the national UK NUMU chart. One of our students has already made the national top 10!

Is NUMU just about uploading music?
No, you can also write blogs on your page and upload pictures. We might even allow videos in the future. We will be creating online projects and competitions with prizes for artists on the RGSMusic label. There are also regional and national competitions organized by NUMU.

What about copyright?
All artists on NUMU have their copyright protected, and you are allowed to upload cover versions as well. You may not upload other people's recordings though, only your own or ones that you have collaborated on. There is no limit to how much music you can upload.

What computer equipment do I need?

None, as you can access NUMU from school computers. However all you need if you want to access NUMU from home is a sound enabled PC or Mac, with broadband internet, internet explorer, firefox or safari, and macromedia flash player (which is free to download). You don't need any special software. You can even upload music using your phone.

Right! How do I join?
Go to www.numu.org.uk/join/rgsmusic and sign up. **Choose a password that you do not use for anything else** as your NUMU password, and choose a username. Then wait for Mr Rushby (who is head of the RGSMusic label!) to approve you. Then you can start building your page and uploading music!