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HUGHES, DAVID (died 1609) founder of Beaumaris grammar school

Name: David Hughes
Date of death: 1609
Gender: Male
Occupation: founder of Beaumaris grammar school
Area of activity: Education
Author: Glyn Roberts

Born in the parish of Llantrisant, Anglesey, he may have been the David Hughes of county Caernarvon, born 1561, who entered Gray's Inn from Magdalen College, Oxford, 28 January 1583 (Foster, *Alumni. Oxon.*; *Gray's Inn Admission Register*, 28 January 1582-3), but another account of him, claiming to be based on sources not now available, suggests that he was born about 1536 and received no university education (John Morgan, *David Hughes, Founder of Beaumaris Free Grammar School ...* 1883; see also Poetical Works of Richard Llwyd, 21n). Settling in Norfolk, he was appointed steward of the manor of Woodrising about 1596. In 1602 he established the Free Grammar School at Beaumaris. His will, dated 30 September 1609, endowed the school and made provision for the establishment of an almshouse at Llannerch-y-medd. The almshouse was actually built at Beaumaris.

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