

Getting hands-on with the Vikings

Orkney International Science Festival

Family Fun Day

10am – 4pm, Saturday 7th September

King Street Halls, Kirkwall

Become an archaeological detective and hunt for clues about Viking life. You can sort through a tray of archaeological finds and work out what the Vikings on your site were doing, find out what they ate by looking at their poo, cast your own Thor's hammer in chocolate, fingerprint soapstone and discover microscopic traces of sword-making.

You can even have a go at cord-making, weaving and spinning with the help of a Viking textiles expert.

Presented by Dr Cathy Batt, Archaeological Scientist from the University of Bradford and Jane Outram, Re-enactor, with assistance from students at Orkney College.



Separating the iron from the sand-
searching for evidence of sword-making



Casting Thor's hammer- not in silver but in
chocolate!

Further details from <http://oisf.org/>