

Intro

Chiro! What is it really? Could it be something for me? Will I have fun? Will I find friends there? Will I end up in a great group? And what about the leaders?...

There's only one way to know: just come and try it out! No need to be nervous, we don't bite. But we will make sure you get hooked on Chiro and dive right in with full energy! Once again, our team of leaders is ready to make this year unforgettable. And with the enthusiasm of all our members, it's sure to be a fantastic ride.

At our Chiro, everyone's welcome. We hope kids, and their parents, enjoy every moment of it. Every Sunday, we give it our all: outdoor games in the woods, arts and crafts, team challenges, themed activities, fun on the playground, theatre, sports and much more. And that's just Sundays! Throughout the year we also host bigger events like Chirofeest, Sinterklaas, Groepsfeest, Eireis, Zeereis, Vlierbeekse Feesten, ... and of course, the grand finale of the Chiro year: *camp*!

So drop by, join in, and have the time of your life!

The groupleaders, Jill, Nina, Helena S. & Lars



Sunday is Chiro Day!

Children **from the age of 6** are more than welcome! Every Sunday at 2:00 pm our enthusiastic leaders are ready on the Chiro field.

At **2:15 pm** we officially get started. Our Chiro Sunday begins with loud opening chants before moving on to the activities in each age group. The opening takes place every Sunday on the Chiro grounds at Vlierbeek Abbey. When Chiro ends, both boys and girls can be picked up by their parents at the Chiro field, heading home tired but happy. The finishing time depends on the age group. The youngest members (Speelclub, Piepers, Sloebers, Kwiks and Rakkers) finish at **5:30 pm**. The Tippers and Toppers finish at **6:30 pm**. And the Tiptiens, Kerels and Aspis finish at **7:00 pm**. The groups that stay until **6:30 pm** or **7:00 pm** also enjoy dinner together with their group.

The youngest group, the Speelclub, is the only mixed group. In the older sections, boys and girls are split by age. From time to time, boys and girls also spend a Sunday together. Chiro runs throughout the whole year, except in the summer months (July and August), when we all go off to camp.



How much does a year of fun cost?

The membership fee for Chiro is €65. If two or more children from the same family register, the fee is €60 per child. Once the fee has been paid, you are officially registered with Chiro Nationaal (the national Chiro organization) and insured. This amount also includes all the afternoon snacks that are provided for the members every Sunday. Everyone is welcome to try Chiro out for a few Sundays before paying the membership fee. If you have already paid and your child later decides to quit Chiro, part of the fee can be reimbursed if you deregister in time. Every member of our Chiro is insured for civil liability, physical accidents, disability and death. To be clear: members are not insured for material damage. For any questions, you can always contact the responsible leader. Chiro Nationaal only insures children from the age of 6 (meaning they must be in first grade). Unfortunately, children younger than that cannot yet participate in Chiro Sundays. Don't worry—next year they will be welcomed with open arms!

For registration, we kindly ask you to use the new account number right away (see: 'Payment system'). Chiro Vlierbeek account number: **BE85 7360 2943 3706** Please make the payment with the reference:

'Child's name + Age group + Registration'

We would also like to ask you not to wait too long to register your child, so we can quickly get a clear idea of the number of members.



Payment System

For every event that requires payment, we set a deadline by which your child must be registered through a bank transfer. This allows us to know exactly how many members will participate and to make accurate reservations. The only downside is that we must be a bit strict: members for whom we do not receive a transfer cannot take part in that activity. However, we are confident that this will rarely, if ever, happen.

Whether you want to register your child for the new Chiro year, the Eireis, a weekend, or camp, the same rules apply for every payment: transfer the correct amount to **BE85 7360 2943 3706** (account name: 'Chiro Vlierbeek Abdij') with the reference **CHILD'S NAME + GROUP + ACTIVITY**. This applies to both boys and girls.

If you have any questions or comments, you can always send an email to **lola.serraes@chirovlierbeek.be**, **lauden.vangeneugden@chirovlierbeek.be**, or **matthias.robberechts@chirovlierbeek.be**.

We understand that a Chiro year with all its activities can be quite costly and that this is not always easy for everyone. That's why you can also contact the above persons or speak with the group leaders if there are any difficulties. Together we can find a solution, for example, paying in instalments.



Chiro Vlierbeek participates in the UiTPAS!

Good news for all members and supporters of Chiro Vlierbeek: we have joined the UiTPAS! But what does that mean for you? Read on to find out!

What is the UiTPAS?

The UiTPAS is a points and benefits card that helps you get more out of your free time. By participating in various (paid) activities at Chiro Vlierbeek, such as our Chirofeest, Heksentocht, Ei-reis, Zeereis, camps, and membership fee, you can earn points that can be exchanged for fun perks and discounts. In addition, the UiTPAS makes culture and leisure activities more accessible to everyone.

How does it work?

- Earning Points: Every time you take part in an activity at Chiro Vlierbeek, like a camp or an event, you can earn points. All you need to do is have your UiTPAS scanned.
- Benefits: The points you collect can be used for various perks, such as free tickets or fun gadgets.
- Reduced rate: For those with financial difficulties, the UiTPAS
 offers a reduced rate, which gives an 80% discount on various
 activities so that everyone can participate.



How do you get a UiTPAS?

You can request a UiTPAS at several sales points in Leuven, such as the Town Hall or the Library. Don't forget to bring your ID. For those eligible for the reduced rate, specific conditions and documents are required. Ask at the sales point or check the UiTPAS Leuven website for more information.

For more details, visit the UiTPAS website (https://www.uitpas.be) or ask your leaders. We hope to see you soon with your UiTPAS!



Additional fun

Weekends: Weekends usually start on Friday evening and end on Sunday afternoon. The price depends on the weekend location but is generally around €30 per child.

Eireis: Our annual trip to an amusement park, zoo, or similar activity. The outing is adapted to the age of the groups. Usually, the youngest and oldest groups go to different places.

Zeereis: Our annual trip to the coast costs about €10.

Special activities within the age group.

Camp: In recent years, we have been using a new system for the camp contribution. Normally, camp costs €160 per child (if multiple children from the same family participate, it's €150 per child). However, we ask you to transfer an amount of your choice between €140 and €180, depending on your possibilities and without any further explanation. This way, we want to make it clear that the presence of our members is what matters most, and cost should never be a barrier to participation.

ATTENTION!: For our youngest group, the Speelclub, camp costs €100 since they only participate for five days.



Chiro clothing

Because we play and run around every Sunday, play clothes are a must. The Chiro uniform is designed for this: it's sturdy, practical, and still looks nice. Don't forget to write your name on your uniform, as everyone obviously wears the same clothes.

The **Chiro uniform** is not mandatory, but we highly recommend it. Wearing it improves recognition and strengthens the sense of belonging. For the youngest groups, we suggest a sweater or T-shirt, and for the older groups, a shirt. For the girls, wearing a skirt is common. Every month, we offer second-hand clothes. You can buy a part of a uniform for just €5. These sales moments will be announced on our website. If you have any questions, you can always send an email to **tweedehands@chirovlierbeek.be**.

If you want a new uniform, you can go to **Chirowinkel De Banier** (J.P. Minckelersstraat 29, 3000 Leuven)



Wellbeing Team

Hi! We are Jill (leader of the Toppers) and Astrid (leader of the Speelclub). Together, we form the Wellbeing Team of Chiro Vlierbeek. You can always approach us, whether you are a member of a parent, if something is bothering you. We believe it's important that everyone feels good at Chiro- not just physically, but mentally as well.

What can you come to us for?

- If you're not feeling so great or just want to talk.
- If you have questions or concerns at home, at Chiro, or at school
- If practical or financial matters are a barrier: you can always share this with us, completely in confidence. Together, we'll find a solution so that everyone can continue to participate

The online mailbox

Do you have something you'd rather share anonymously? Then you can use our mailbox on the website. Only the two of us see these messages, and everything is handled confidentially. This way, you can safely share anything that's on your mind.

Mentaal welzijn

Voel je je niet goed of zit je ergens mee? Via onze online brievenbus kan je je zorgen delen. Team welzijn staat klaar om naar je te luisteren en te helpen. Druk op de brievenbus om contact te zoeken.



Contact

Jill: 0470 62 15 00 – jill.vandenputte@chirovlierbeek.be Astrid: 0478 18 94 19 – astrid.cools@chirovlierbeek.be

Anonymity is important

We want to emphasize that you can always approach us in confidence, whether you are a member, parent, or leader. Everything you tell us stays between us. Together, we make Chiro Vlierbeek a place where everyone feels at home.



Task distribution

Group leaders Jill, Nina, Lars, Helena S.

Secretary Andreas, Sam

Bar Sam, Tijs, Lola Sm.

Eco team Wiebe

Handymen Sander, Zeno

Materials Matthias, Finn, Kaat

Briefing Nina, Lola V. Membership administration Maud, Josse

First Aid Lucie, Helena P., Helena S.

Sanitary Stien

Kitchen Juliet, Charlotte

Webmaster Andreas, Tijs

Drive Jill, Nina, Lars, Helena S.

Photographers Lieke, Lola Ser.

Domestic Camp Leaders Zeno, Selam, Marte, Lynn

International Camp Leaders Elina, Lucie

Mental wellbeing Jill, Astrid

Second-hand clothing Stien, Amber, Helena P.

Shed responsible Fleur, Michiel

Finance Lauden, Matthias, Lola Ser.

Camp spotters Maud, Suzanne, Kaj

Leader activities Wiebe, Lieke, Fleur, Josse

Field responsible Finn, Gitte

Archive Charlotte, Seb

Shed responsible Lars, Sander



"De VB's"

(adult supervisors, in Dutch: Volwassen Begeleiders)



Marth Wynants & Trix Wynants

20/08/1991 22/02/1995

0496 33 66 51 0472 63 44 38

The groupleaders = De groepsleiding



Nina Daschot

0484 15 20 81

0487 98 35 26

Lars

Van der staey

Jill Vandenputte

Helena Sierens

0468 10 37 96

0470 62 15 00



Speelclub
Boys and girls born in 2018-2019



Helena Peeters	Sander Wynants	Astrid Cools	Josse Berlamont
10/01/2005	11/05/2004	25/04/2005	01/04/2003
0499 13 56 52	0468 21 68 22	0478 18 94 19	0470 46 63 98

Piepers

Girls born in 2016-2017

Lola Vallina Griera 23/02/2007 0468 05 55 18

Kaat Koeken 07/01/2007 0487 37 83 03

Amber Goossens 21/04/2007 0467 68 77 80





Sloebers

Boys born in 2016-2017

Lynn Schoonjans 21/09/2007 0470 10 86 08

Finn Moors 04/12/2003 0472 78 32 99

Marte Van der staey 21/09/2007 0471 08 30 87



Kwiks
Girls born in 2014-2015



Charlotte De Backer	Andreas Peeters	Juliet Serraes
14/09/2007	24/04/2006	24/09/2007
0468 22 23 83	0468 47 95 45	0456 12 88 41



Rakkers

Boys born in 2014-2015



Lola Serraes	Matthias Robberechts	Suzanne Dekeyrel	Tijs Geerts
29/10/2005	06/04/2004	23/11/2007	14/09/2005
0487 45 52 96	0468 32 12 31	0470 46 28 21	0473 39 42 39



Tippers

Girls born in 2012-2013



Elina van den Branden 06/03/2007 0471 99 32 08

Gitte Schoofs 13/02/2007 0497 12 08 38 Helena Sierens 28/01/2004 0468 10 37 96



Toppers

Boys born in 2012-2013



Jill Vandenputte 03/07/2005 0470 62 15 00 Zeno Vanhove 23/06/2005 0475 37 34 36 Lars Van der staey 07/07/2005 0487 98 35 26

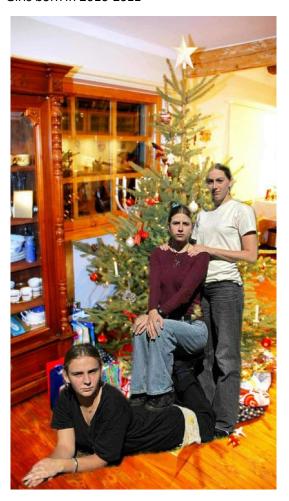
Tiptiens

Girls born in 2010-2011

Stien Van Emelen 12/10/2004 0472 01 16 49

Lucie Schepers 17/11/2006 0468 58 55 52

Lieke Verhoeven 04/07/2004 0493 45 34 57





Kerels

Boys born in 2010-2011



Lauden Vangeneugden 11/08/2004

0483 08 86 15

Sam Vandenputte 09/11/2003 0475 67 35 88

Selam Mouling 10/05/2005

0479 40 78 20

Aspimeisjes

Girls born in 2008-2009



Maud	Nina	Fleur
Berlamont	Daschot	Wolfs De Broeck
01/04/2003	10/10/2006	03/06/2002
0473 51 24 84	0484 15 20 81	0487 39 08 14

Aspijongens

Boys born in 2008-2009



Michiel Dekeyser	Wiebe Bruggemans	Lola Smets
17/01/2006	28/08/2006	11/04/2003
0468 30 52 25	0488 64 27 32	0472 13 24 56



Contact

You can always email any leader

Every leader has their own email address, which is formed as:

firstname.lastname@chirovlierbeek.be

For example: josse.berlamont@chirovlierbeek.be

You can also email the entire leadership team of a group:

groupname@chirovlierbeek.be

For example: speelclub@chirovlierbeek.be

We have a website!

Don't forget to check out our amazing website regularly: www.chirovlierbeek.be. This site is our **main channel** for **communication** with parents and members. At least once a month, it will be updated with all the important information and upcoming activities for the next weeks.

There is also a dedicated **page** for **each group**, where you can find useful information and fun texts specifically for your group. Of course, you will also still find all the photos, documents (including this booklet), and a full annual calendar on the website.

Chiro Vlierbeek on Facebook and Instagram

Be sure to check out our Facebook and Instagram pages and like/follow **Chiro Vlierbeek**.

We also announce important Chiro activities there! www.facebook.com/chirovlierbeek/ https://www.instagram.com/chirovlierbeek/?hl=nl



Are you already subscribed to our newsletter?

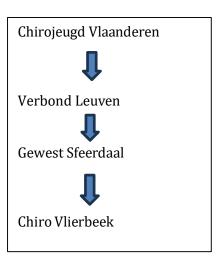
We send out a monthly newsletter with all the activities you can expect that month. If you haven't subscribed yet, you can do so via our website. On **chirovlierbeek.be/informatie** you will find a registration tool for the newsletter. Or you can send an email to **info@chirovlierbeek.be** to subscribe. Make sure you sign up, so you stay updated on all things Chiro!

How is Chiro organized?

At the heart of our Chiro structure is the limited council. The group leaders are part of this meeting and together they prepare the meetings for the leaders. All meetings are mixed, and the adult supervisors occasionally attend as well.

Additionally, the vzw Schuurcomité is always busy. They take care of things like the maintenance of the clubrooms, insurance, arranging camp locations... In short, they are the financial body of our Chiro. Together with the OCLK (the former leaders' circle) and Chiro itself, they also organize the Vlierbeekse Feesten. For leaders leaving Chiro, the OCLK is there to maintain contact and continue supporting us during major events.

The registration number of our Chiro is **LEG/0216**. The organization of the Chiro structure in Flanders looks as follows:



The year program 2025–2026

September 7: First-Last Meeting

12-13-14: Vlierbeekse Feesten

21: Transitions

October 12: Friends' day

17: Youth Movement Day

24: Children's Party

November 8: Heksentocht

23: Chirofeest

30: Exam Schedule

December 7: Sinterklaas

14, 21: Exam Schedule

Christmas Parties

January 11, 18, 25: Aspichiro

February 8: Friends' day

March 1: Pico Bello

8, 15, 22, 29:

Exam Schedule

April 4: Groepsfeest

26: Easter Egg Hunt April/ Mei: Eireis

May 1: Flea market

17: Inverted day

June 7, 14, 21, 28:

Exam Schedule

Camp Registration

Sea Trip

July 21/07 – 31/07: Domestic

camp (mixed)



Tijdens een tocht door de donkere bossen van Vlierbeek brengen oude vertelsels en griezels je terug naar de geschiedenis van de Abdij. Ben jij dapper genoeg?

Prijzen

Kinderen tot 12 jaar €6 Volwassenen €10 Znclusief een drankje en versnapering

→ Inschrijven vanaf 30 september

Info en inschrijvingen via www.vlierbeeksefeesten.be/heksentocht

