Reading Age Comparisons via Running Record
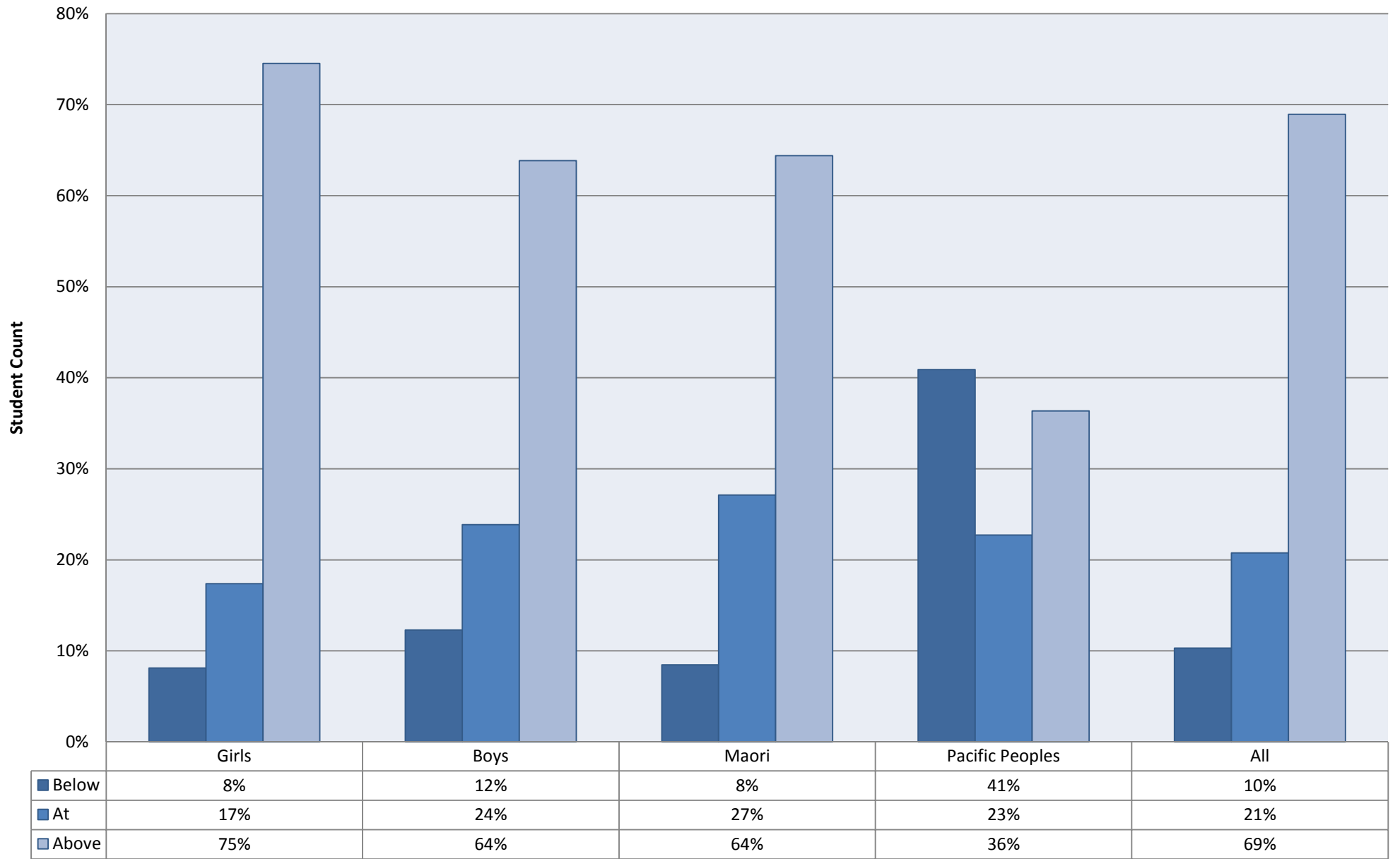
December 2010

The achievement data collated in the following graphs has been collected by way of one on one Running Records. The Running Record is a relatively 'soft' assessment tool that relies on the teacher's observations and interpretation of a student's reading ability in both decoding and comprehension. It is highly effective and widely used through out the Junior School. It is primarily a diagnostic tool for the teaching of reading and its use tends to tail off as students become proficient readers (reading age of 12 years plus).

The information given (Below, At and Above) is based on a sliding scale from 1 month either side of a students chronological age at 5 years, to six months either side of a students chronological age at 12 years.

Achievement Summary

1. Maori (91%) are reading at or above their chronological age. This is more than All, Boys and Pacific Peoples.
2. Pacific Peoples are the poorest performing cohort with only 59 % of students reading at or above their chronological. There are only 23 students in this cohort. 10 of these students are very recent immigrants with English being their second language. All of these ten students are receiving supplementary support in the form of ESOL Reading programmes.
3. By Year Eight 81% of students are reading At or Above their Chronological Age
4. More Girls (92%) are reading at or above their chronological age than Boys (88%)
5. The percentage of students reading below their chronological then gradually increases through the Year Groups to 19% by the end of Year 8
6. The majority of students identified as reading below their chronological are on the School Special Needs Register.
7. Most of the 31 students reading in excess of 12 months below their chronological age have received or are receiving additional learning support. In many cases this support has been intensive and has been delivered over a number of years.

Reading Age V Chronological Age 2010 Below At Above

	Girls	Boys	Maori	Pacific Peoples	All
■ Below	8%	12%	8%	41%	10%
■ At	17%	24%	27%	23%	21%
■ Above	75%	64%	64%	36%	69%

Reading Age V Chronological Age December 2010 Below At Above Title

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Below	0%	14%	5%	0%	9%	12%	11%	8%	19%
At	95%	27%	7%	17%	3%	21%	16%	25%	26%
Above	5%	59%	88%	83%	88%	67%	73%	66%	55%
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Months of Reading Age Below Chronological Age.
Whole School December 2010

This Graph gives a break down in 6 month cohorts of the 55 students identified as performing below their chronological age

	25 + Months Below	19 - 24 Months Below	13 - 18 Months Below	7 - 12 Months Below	1 - 6 Months Below
▪ Count of Months Below	20%	13%	24%	27%	16%