Write in Rice

Spread rice (salt, cornmeal, etc.) on a cookie sheet. Show your child how to write numbers. You can put a sheet of paper under the rice so your child can trace the number. A number that is significant to your child is their age.

What this is teaching:

a) Your child learns that different numbers have different looks.
b) Your child has the sensory experience of "feeling" the number being made. With more senses involved, some children will learn faster.